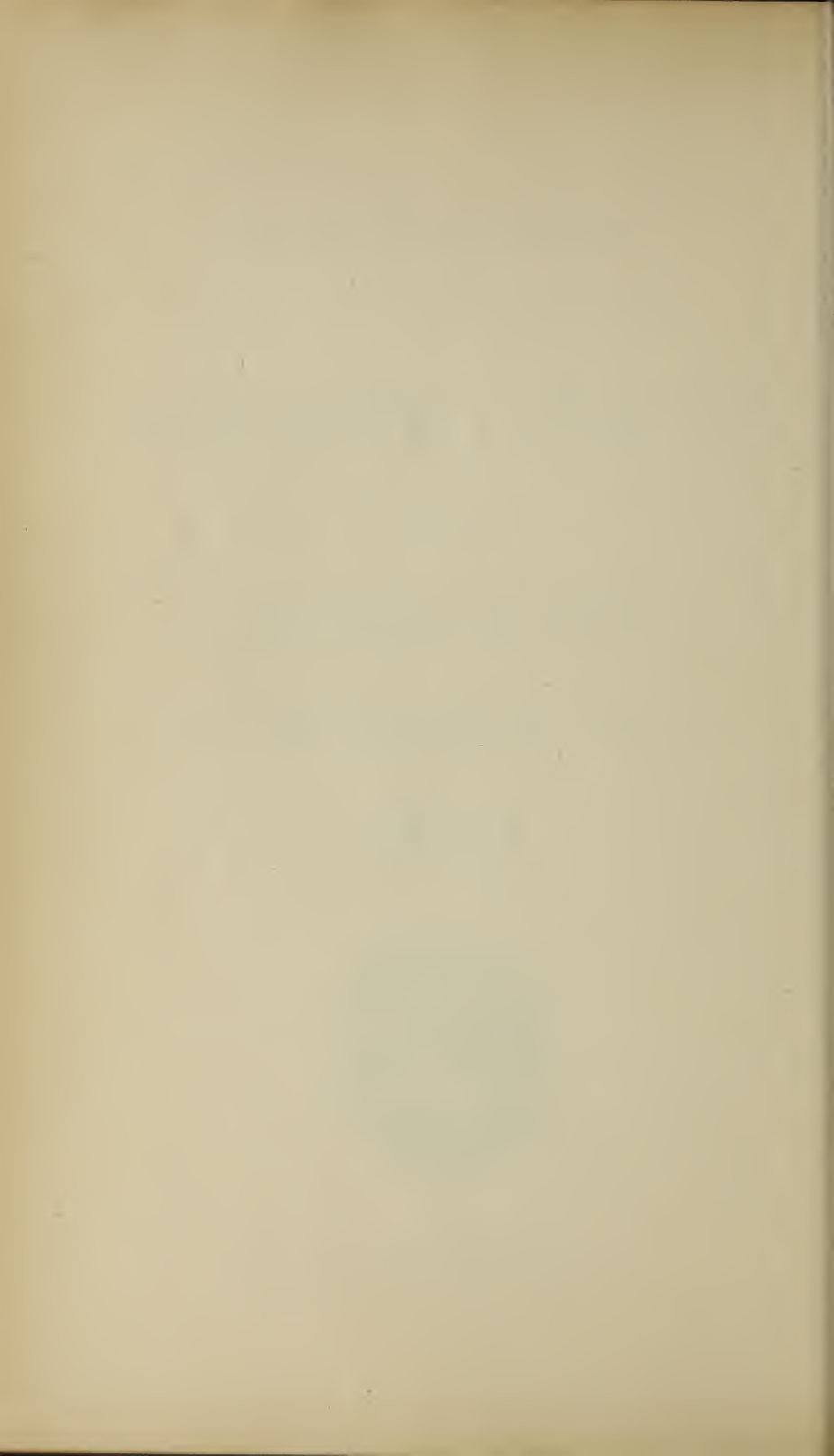


ANNUAL REPORTS
OF THE
TOWN OFFICERS
OF THE
TOWN OF AGAWAM,
For the Year Ending March 9,
1900.



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TOWN OFFICERS, 1899-1900.

Town Clerk, and Treasurer.

JUDSON W. HASTINGS.

Selectmen, Assessors, Overseers of the Poor, and Board of Health.

HENRY E. BODURTHA,
R. MATHER TAYLOR,
JOHN H. REED.

School Committee.

CHARLES P. DAVIS, Chairman, term expires 1901.

WILLIAM H. GRANGER, Secretary, term expires 1902.

ROBERT O. HARPER, Purchasing Agent, term expires 1900.

Tax Collectors.

MONROE HAYWARD, Agawam, DANIEL W. CORWIN, Feeding Hills,
FRANK L. DUGAN, Mittineague.

Auditors.

JOHN G. FREELAND,

FRED. A. WORTHINGTON.

Trustees of Whiting Street Fund.

OSCAR A. PARKS, term expires 1900.

SETH N. BENNETT, term expires 1901.

Trustees of the Public Library.

HENRY L. TOWER, term expires 1900.

RALPH PERRY, term expires 1901.

S. NEWELL SMITH, term expires 1902.

Highway Surveyors.

WILLIS C. CAMPBELL, Agawam.

DANIEL L. WHITE, Feeding Hills.

DANIEL J. COLLINS, Mittineague.

Sinking Fund Commissioners.

WILLIAM H. GRANGER, Chairman, term expires 1902.

TIMOTHY J. O'BRIEN, term expires 1900.

LEWIS A. BARDEN, term expires 1901.

Constables and Special Police.

JAMES M. BEAN,

EDWIN M. HITCHCOCK,

RODNEY L. BLAISDELL,

ELMER E. McINTIRE,

ALBERT H. BROWN,

FRANK J. POMEROY,

WILLIS C. CAMPBELL,

ALBERT E. WORTHINGTON,

WILLIAM A. FLETCHER,

JOHN O'CONNELL,

MONROE HAYWARD.

Fence Viewers.

WILLIS C. CAMPBELL, JAMES F. BARRY,
EPHRAIM PRINCE.

Field Drivers.

NELSON G. KING, MONROE HAYWARD,
ROLLIN C. POMEROY, ELMER E. MCINTIRE,
THOMAS HALLORAN.

Surveyor of Lumber.

FRED. A. BODURTHA.

Measurers of Wood.

CHARLES W. HASTINGS, HARVEY E. PORTER,
EDWARD A. KELLOGG, ALFRED BUFFEE.

Public Weighers.

CHARLES W. HASTINGS, HARVEY E. PORTER,
EDWARD A. KELLOGG, DANIEL LEONARD.

Fish Wardens.

LEVI RIVERS, FRANK P. COVELL.

Forest Fire Wards.

EDWIN M. HITCHCOCK, WILSON J. WARRINER,
WILLIAM H. PORTER. BYRON C. ROBERTS.

Burial Agent.

EMERSON L. COVELL.

Inspectors of Animals and Provisions.

EDWIN LEONARD,

ELIJAH D. ALLEN.

Assistant Town Clerk.

CHARLES W. HASTINGS.

Registrars of Voters.

EDWARD A. KELLOGG, Chairman, term expires 1901.

SCOTT ADAMS, term expires 1900.

PATRICK T. DONOVAN, term expires 1902.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT.

RECORDS OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF TOWN
MEETINGS FOR THE YEAR ENDING
MARCH 9, 1900.

ANNUAL MEETING, APRIL 3, 1899.

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.

Result of vote for Moderator :—

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|----------------------|-----------|----|
| Scott Adams received | | 14 |
| Scattering, | | 5 |

Elmer E. McIntire, Bret H. Whitman, Albert E. Worthington, James H. Clark, appointed ballot clerks, were sworn by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 2. To choose by ballot for the ensuing year, a Town Clerk, a Town Treasurer, three Selectmen, three Assessors, three Overseers of the Poor, a Board of Health of three members, three Collectors of Taxes, two Auditors, three Surveyors of Highways, ten Constables, one member of the School Committee for three years, one Library Trustee for three years, one Library Trustee for two years to fill a vacancy, one Sinking Fund Commissioner for three years, one Trustee of Whiting Street Fund for two years. Also to vote on the same ballot upon the question, "Shall license be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?"

A package of six hundred official ballots was delivered to the ballot clerks and their receipt taken for the same. Ballot box inspected, found empty, dial set at 0-0-0, locked and key delivered to Elmer E. McIntire, a Constable. Polls declared open for the specified in article second.

Voted—To close the polls at 3.30 P. M.

Voted—That the polls be closed at 4 P. M.

At the close of the polls the Moderator appointed James F. Barry, James H. Clark, John R. Bodurtha, Frank R. Pomeroy, Henry A. Huntington, Herbert W. Cook, Florence J. Sullivan, Joseph C. McVeigh, as tellers to assist in the counting of the ballots. They were sworn to a faithful discharge of their duties by the Moderator.

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| Dial registered, | | 15 |
| Names checked, | | 312 |
| Number of ballots found in the box, | | 312 |

Result of the vote as declared later :—

For Town Clerk and Treasurer.

| | | |
|---|-----------|-----|
| Judson W. Hastings of Feeding Hills, received | | 176 |
| Ralph Perry of Agawam, received | | 1 |
| John Moran of Feeding Hills, received | | 1 |
| Blanks, | | 134 |

Selectmen, Assessors, Overseers of the Poor and Board of Health.

| | | |
|---|-----------|-----|
| Henry E. Bodurtha of Agawam, received | | 214 |
| Edwin Leonard of Mittineague, received | | 107 |
| John Oldroyd of Agawam, received | | 93 |
| John H. Reed of Mittineague, received | | 200 |
| R. Mather Taylor of Feeding Hills, received | | 220 |
| James F. Barry of Feeding Hills, received | | 1 |
| Blanks, | | 101 |

School Committee for Three Years.

| | |
|---|-----|
| William H. Granger of Feeding Hills, received . . . | 181 |
| William L. Meacham of Feeding Hills, received . . . | 114 |
| Blanks, | 17 |

Tax Collectors.

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|--|-----|
| James F. Cleary of Feeding Hills, received . . . | 99 |
| Daniel W. Corwin of Feeding hills, received . . . | 169 |
| Frank L. Dugan of Mittineague, received . . . | 229 |
| Monroe Hayward of Agawam, received . . . | 176 |
| Albert E. Worthington, of Agawam, received . . . | 126 |
| H. Van Ness Roberts of Feeding Hills, received . . . | 1 |
| Blanks, | 136 |

Auditors.

| | |
|--|-----|
| John G. Freeland of Feeding Hills, received . . . | 166 |
| Frank L. Johnson of Feeding Hills, received . . . | 119 |
| Frederick A. Sykes of Agawam, received . . . | 125 |
| Frederick A. Worthington of Agawam, received . . . | 143 |
| Blanks, | 71 |

Trustee of Whiting Street Fund.

| | |
|---|-----|
| Seth M. Bennett of Agawam, received . . . | 267 |
| Blanks, | 45 |

Library Trustee for Two Years.

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|---------------------------------------|-----|
| Ralph Perry of Agawam, received . . . | 255 |
| Blanks, | 57 |

Library Trustee for Three Years.

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| Samuel N. Smith of Feeding Hills, received . . . | 250 |
| Blanks, | 62 |

Sinking Fund Commissioner for Three Years.

| | |
|---|-----|
| William H. Granger of Feeding Hills, received . . . | 169 |
| Frank L. Johnson of Feeding Hills, received . . . | 108 |
| Blanks, | 35 |

Highway Surveyors.

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| Michael L. Ahl of Agawam, received | 82 |
| Willis C. Campbell of Agawam, received | 171 |
| Daniel J. Collins of Mittineague, received | 168 |
| William B. Rice of Agawam, received | 121 |
| Daniel L. White of Feeding Hills, received | 234 |
| Blanks, | 160 |

Constables.

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|---|-----|
| James M. Bean of Mittineague, received | 145 |
| Rodney L. Blaisdell of Agawam, received | 129 |
| Albert H. Brown of Feeding Hills, received | 172 |
| Willis C. Campbell of Agawam, received | 191 |
| James J. Carroll of Feeding Hills, received | 116 |
| Dennis Crowley of Mittineague, received | 96 |
| William A. Fletcher of Agawam, received | 119 |
| Edwin M. Hitchcock of Agawam, received | 133 |
| Alfred Maynard of Mittineague, received | 91 |
| Elmer E. McIntire of Feeding Hills, received | 178 |
| Daniel J. Murphy of Mittineague, received | 79 |
| Frank J. Pomeroy of Agawam, received | 137 |
| J. Arsene Roy of Mittineague, received | 96 |
| John F. Shea of Feeding Hills, received | 101 |
| John A. Warner of Feeding Hills, received | 84 |
| Wilson J. Warriner of Feeding Hills, received | 108 |
| Albert E. Worthington of Agawam, received | 121 |
| Edward M. Wright of Feeding Hills, received | 136 |
| Blanks, | 888 |

Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?

| | | | | | | | | |
|---------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|-----|
| Yes, | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 156 |
| No, | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 135 |
| Blanks, | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 21 |

ARTICLE 3. To choose all necessary town officers, not provided for in the preceding article.

Voted—To choose by acclamation all necessary town officers, not provided for in the preceding article.

The following were elected :—

FENCE VIEWERS.—Willis C. Campbell, James F. Barry, Sanford H. Sawyer, Ephraim Prince.

FIELD DRIVERS.—F. A. Scott, Monroe Hayward, Jerre Adams, Nelson G. King, James H. Clark, Elmer E. McIntire, Rollin C. Pomeroy, Jas. S. Smith, Thomas Halloran, John Wright, Ethan D. Allen, Robert Ely Jr.

SURVEYORS OF LUMBER.—Robert Ely Jr., Fred. A. Bodurtha.

MEASURERS OF WOOD.—Charles W. Hastings, Harvey E. Porter, Henry L. Tower, Edward A. Kellogg, Alson W. Allen, Alfred Bruffee.

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.—Edward A. Kellogg.

SEALER OF LEATHER.—Sumner Clark.

PUBLIC WEIGHERS.—Charles W. Hastings, Harvey E. Porter, Edward A. Kellogg, Daniel Leonard.

ARTICLE 4. To hear and act upon the reports of town officers.

Voted—On motion of E. L. Thompson that this article be passed over.

ARTICLE 5. To see what method the town will adopt for the support of the poor for the ensuing year.

Voted—On motion of W. L. Meacham that the support of the poor be left with the Overseers of the Poor.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the town will authorize its Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow temporarily in anticipation of the taxes of the present municipal year, a sum not to exceed five thousand dollars, as the same may be required from time to time, and to give a note or notes of the town for moneys so borrowed, and that he be also authorized to pay such loans from said taxes.

Voted—On motion of Wm. L. Meacham, two thirds of those present voting in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money for the observance of Memorial Day.

Voted—On motion of T. M. Roberts that the sum of thirty-five dollars be appropriated for the observance of Memorial Day.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the town will vote a discount on taxes.

Voted—On motion of T. M. Roberts that a discount of five per cent. be allowed on all taxes paid into the town Treasury on or before the 20th day of October, current.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the town will vote to charge interest on taxes.

Voted—On motion of T. M. Roberts that all taxes shall be paid by November 1st, 1899, and that on all taxes unpaid January 1st, 1900, interest shall be charged at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum.

Voted—To postpone action on the remaining articles of the warrant until after the noon recess.

Voted—To take a recess until 1.15 P. M., for all purposes except voting for town officers.

ARTICLE 4. *Voted*—On motion of Wm. L. Meacham to take up article 4.

Voted—To accept the reports of the various town officers as printed.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the town will vote to provide a water supply for the Center, South and West Street schools or do anything in relation to the same.

Chas. P. Davis moved that the Selectmen be authorized and instructed to provide a water supply for the Center and South End schools in Agawam at a cost not to exceed seventy-five dollars, and that that amount be appropriated for the same.

Voted—To amend by the addition of the words “and West Street” after the words “South End.”

Voted—On the motion as amended in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the town will rescind the vote taken at the last annual town meeting relative to the School Superintendency District or do anything in relation to the same.

Voted—On motion of Frank J. Pomeroy that the vote taken at the last annual town meeting regarding the School Superintendency District be rescinded.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money for the use of the Library Trustees.

Voted—That the sum of seventy-five dollars be appropriated and placed in the hands of the Library Trustees to be used at their discretion for the benefit of the Librarians in attending to and opening the Library.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the town will make an appropriation for the building of sidewalks.

Voted—On motion of D. J. Collins that the sum of one hundred dollars be appropriated and expended in the discretion of the Selectmen in putting cinders on the sidewalks in Mittineague.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the town will make an appropriation for special highway work.

Voted—That fifteen hundred dollars be appropriated for special highway work, to be expended at the discretion of the Selectmen.

Voted—On motion of A. S. King to pass over articles 15, 16, and 17 and take up article 18.

ARTICLE 18. Voted to appropriate and raise by tax for Schools, Supplies, Superintendent and Transportation, \$6,500.00 five hundred dollars, or such part thereof as may be necessary to be expended under direction of the School Committee for transportation.

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| High School Tuition, | 1,000.00 |
| Highways and Bridges, | 2,000.00 |
| Special Highway Work, | 1,500.00 |
| Care of the Poor, | 2,300.00 |
| Contingencies, | 800.00 |
| Town Officers, | 1,000.00 |
| State Aid, | 300.00 |
| Interest, | 1,600.00 |
| Sinking Fund, | 1,000.00 |
| Care of Town Halls, | 50.00 |
| Repair of Town Buildings, | 200.00 |
| Street Lights, | 125.00 |
| Collection of Taxes, | 300.00 |
| Discount on Taxes, | 750.00 |
| Memorial Day, | 35.00 |
| Sidewalks, | 100.00 |
| Water Supply, | 75.00 |
| Library Trustees, | 75.00 |

\$19,710.00

Voted—That the sum of nineteen thousand, seven hundred and ten dollars in addition to the State and County taxes, be assessed upon the polls of the inhabitants and the estates of the residents and non-residents of Agawam and be committed to the Collectors of taxes on or before September 1st, 1899.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the town will order the raising of the bridge near the residence of D. L. White, and the grading of the highway to correspond.

Voted—On motion of D. W. Brown that action be indefinitely postponed.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the town will vote to build a board fence any part of the way between Front street and West street in Feeding Hills.

A. P. Loomis moved that one hundred and fifty dollars be appropriated and expended under the direction of the Selectmen in building a board fence near half way hill in Feeding Hills.

Jas. H. Clark moved as an amendment, that it be left to the discretion of the Selectmen and that the amount expended be taken from the special highway appropriation.

Voted—On the amendment in the affirmative.

Voted—On amended motion in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the town will vote to appropriate money to pay a proper charge of an insurance company, for acting as surety on the official bond of any of its officers.

Voted—On motion of H. E. Bodurtha that twenty dollars be appropriated from Contingent Fund to pay an insurance company for acting as surety of the Sinking Fund Commissioners.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the town will accept the following list of jurors: Alson W. Allen, Elihu T. Hunt, Almon Jones, Seth M. Bennett, Lewis A. Barden, Herbert W. Cook, Fred. A. Bodurtha, Fred. A. Sykes, Frank C. Learned, L. Homer Nason, Chas. R. Miller, Albert E. Worthington, Elmer E. McIntire, Stephen O. Russell, Ethan D. Allen, John G. Freeland, Freemont H. King, Nelson G. King, Chauncey E. Kent, Aretus P. Loomis, Edwin Leonard, Edward M. Pomeroy, Edwin Gosselin, Patrick T. Donovan, Florence Sullivan, Louis Paro, Dennis Collins, John O'Connell, Edward Pillsbury, John Wilson, Joseph A. Roy.

Voted—To accept the above list, as printed with the substitution of Edward Gosselin for Edwin Gosselin and John F. Wilson for John Wilson.

After the announcement of the result of the vote for town officers the Town Clerk and Treasurer elect and Elmer E. McIntire and Willis C. Campbell elected Constables, were sworn by the Moderator.

Voted—To adjourn without day.

JUDSON W. HASTINGS.

Town Clerk.

SPECIAL MEETING HELD AT TOWN HALL IN AGAWAM, JUNE 5, 1899.

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.

Result of vote for Moderator :—

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|--------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|----|
| Wm. H. Porter, received | . | . | . | . | . | . | 44 |
| James W. Moore, received | . | . | . | . | . | . | 14 |
| H. E. Bodurtha, received | . | . | . | . | . | . | 4 |
| A. H. Brown, received | . | . | . | . | . | . | 1 |
| W. H. Herrick, received | . | . | . | . | . | . | 1 |

ARTICLE 2. To see what action the town will take in regard to building Agawam bridge and provide funds for carrying out of such action.

Voted—On motion of E. K. Bodurtha that twenty minutes be allowed to bridge men to make statements and answer questions.

Voted—On motion of W. L. Meacham to lay on table.

Voted—On motion of W. L. Meacham to take up article third.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the town will vote to build a temporary bridge at or near the site of the Agawam bridge.

Voted—On motion of James W. Moore that it is the sense of this meeting that a temporary bridge be put up on the site of the Agawam bridge. Affirmative, 49. Negative, 24.

Voted—On motion of J. G. Freeland, that the Selectmen be authorized to borrow a sum of money not to exceed four hundred dollars to pay our share of building a temporary bridge at or near site of the old Agawam bridge, provided West Springfield will unite with us in doing the same, two-thirds voting in affirmative.

ARTICLE 2. Voted, on motion of J. G. Freeland to take up article second.

Voted—On motion of J. G. Freeland that the Selectmen be authorized to borrow a sum of money sufficient to pay our share of a bridge to be built in connection with West Springfield thirty feet wide or such other width as may be deemed best at a total cost not to exceed fifteen thousand dollars, two-thirds present voting in the affirmative.

Voted—To adjourn without date.

JUDSON W. HASTINGS,
Town Clerk.

SPECIAL MEETING HELD AT THE TOWN HALL IN FEEDING HILLS, JUNE 30, 1899.

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.

Result of vote for Moderator :—

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|-------------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Charles W. Hastings, received | . | . | . | . | . | 9 |
| Henry E. Bodurtha, received | . | . | . | . | . | 4 |
| J. W. Hastings, received | . | . | . | . | . | 1 |

ARTICLE 2. To hear report of the Selectmen in regard to the rebuilding of Agawam bridge and take action relative to an increased appropriation or of further instruction to the Selectmen in regard to the matter.

Voted—On motion of A. P. Loomis to appropriate a sum not to exceed two thousand dollars additional to a sum already appropriated for building the Agawam bridge, two-thirds present voting in the affirmative.

James W. Moore questioned the legality of the meeting on the ground that it had not been legally warned.

Voted—On motion of J. W. Moore that the Selectmen be given authority to proceed to act with the Selectmen of West Springfield to carry out the legal votes of the town in regard to construction of the Agawam bridge.

Voted—On motion of J. W. Moore that the sum of fifteen hundred dollars appropriated for special highway work be expended by the Selectmen at their discretion for the benefit of the town.

Voted—That this meeting be dissolved.

JUDSON W. HASTINGS,
Town Clerk.

WARRANT FOR STATE ELECTION.

NOVEMBER 7, 1899.

HAMPDEN, SS.

*To either of the Constables of the Town of Agawam in said
County :*

GREETING :—In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to warn and notify the inhabitants of the Town of Agawam qualified to vote in elections, to meet in their respective polling places, viz : Those resident in Precinct A, in the basement of the school house situated in said precinct and those resident in Precinct B, in the Town Hall in Feeding Hills, on Tuesday the seventh day of November next, it being the Tuesday next after the first Monday in said month, then and there to bring in their votes for Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, Secretary, Treasurer, Auditor, Attorney-General, Councilor for the Eighth District, Senator for the Second Hampden District, Representative in the General Court for the Second Hampden District, and County Commissioner for Hampden County.

The polls will be opened at six o'clock A. M. and may be closed in four hours, and must be closed before sunset.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one in each Postoffice and one in the store of Hermengilde Letellier in said Town at least seven days before the time of holding said election. Hereof fail not and make due return of

this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk on or before the time of holding said election.

Given under our hands this twenty-eighth day of October, eighteen hundred and ninety-nine.

HENRY E. BODURTHA,
JOHN H. REED,
R. MATHER TAYLOR,
Selectmen of Agawam.

I have served the above warrant as directed, this thirty-first day of October.

JAMES M. BEAN,
Constable.

At a meeting of the Selectmen held October 2, 1899, the following Precinct Officers were appointed to serve at the State Election of 1899.

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| <i>Precinct A.</i> —Warden, | John B. Warren |
| Deputy Warden, | Woodman Pillsbury |
| Clerk, | John O'Connell |
| Deputy Clerk, | Chas. A. Devenew |
| Inspectors, | Wm. Savin, D. J. Collins |
| Deputy Inspectors, | Daniel Murphy, Edward Gosselin |

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| <i>Precinct B.</i> —Warden, | John G. Freeland |
| Deputy Warden, | Ralph Perry |
| Clerk, | John R. Bodurtha |
| Deputy Clerk, | James F. Barry |
| Inspectors, | Elmer E. McIntire, A. E. Worthington |
| Deputy Inspectors, | Geo. H. Reed, Frank L. Johnson |

DIGEST OF THE REPORTS OF THE PRECINCT CLERKS,

NOVEMBER 7, 1899.

Voters assembled at the polling places designated in the warrant at time specified. Sealed packages of official ballots received from Secretary of State were delivered to the Wardens, who gave receipts for the same. The ballot boxes were inspected, locked and keys delivered to Constables.

The precinct officers were sworn by the Wardens who had previously been sworn by the Town Clerk.

In Precinct A, it was voted to close the polls at 3.30 p. m.

In Precinct B, it was voted to close the polls at 4 p. m.

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| At close of polls, number of names checked, Precinct A, | 86 |
| “ “ “ “ “ “ B, | 164 |
| Dial registered in Precinct A, | 78 |
| “ “ “ B, | 165 |
| Number of ballots found in box in Precinct A, | 86 |
| “ “ “ “ “ B, | 164 |

RESULT OF COUNT.

| FOR GOVERNOR. | PRECINCT A, | PRECINCT B, | TOTAL. |
|------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|--------|
| Albert B. Coats of Beverly, | 2 | 3 | 5 |
| W. Murray Crane of Dalton, | 30 | 103 | 133 |
| Robert Treat Paine Jr. of Boston, | 43 | 49 | 92 |
| George R. Pease of Lynn, | 4 | | 4 |
| Winfield P. Porter of Newburyport, | 2 | | 2 |
| Blanks, | 5 | 9 | 14 |

FOR LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.

PRECINCT A, PRECINCT B, TOTAL.

| | | | |
|--------------------------------|----|-----|-----|
| John L. Bates of Boston, | 23 | 100 | 123 |
| John H. Mack of North Adams, | 49 | 51 | 100 |
| James H. Roberts of Cambridge, | 2 | 3 | 5 |
| Isaac W. Skinner of Brockton, | 2 | 3 | 5 |
| James F. Stevens of Boston, | 4 | | 4 |
| Blanks, | 6 | 7 | 13 |

FOR SECRETARY.

| | | | |
|----------------------------------|----|-----|-----|
| Charles H. Bradley of Haverhill, | 3 | 2 | 5 |
| John B. Lewis Jr. of Reading, | 3 | 1 | 4 |
| Henry Lloyd of Boston, | 46 | 49 | 95 |
| Frank McDonald of Stoneham, | 6 | | 6 |
| William M. Olin of Boston, | 20 | 104 | 124 |
| Blanks, | 8 | 8 | 16 |

FOR TREASURER.

| | | | |
|-------------------------------------|----|-----|-----|
| Edward S. Bradford of Springfield, | 28 | 107 | 135 |
| Joseph J. Flynn of Lawrence, | 41 | 44 | 85 |
| Herbert B. Griffin of Winthrop, | | 1 | 1 |
| Frederick A. Nagler of Springfield, | 4 | | 4 |
| Charles W. White of Winchester, | 3 | 3 | 6 |
| Blanks, | 10 | 9 | 19 |

FOR AUDITOR.

| | | | |
|-------------------------------------|----|-----|-----|
| Eldridge Gerry Brown of Brockton, | 47 | 47 | 94 |
| Frank Albin Forsstrom of Worcester, | 8 | | 8 |
| John W. Kimball of Fitchburg, | 21 | 101 | 122 |
| Angus McDonald of Boston, | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Franklin A. Palmer of Stockbridge, | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Blanks, | 8 | 14 | 22 |

FOR ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

| | | | |
|-------------------------------------|----|-----|-----|
| Addison W. Barr of Worcester, | 2 | 4 | 6 |
| Hosea M. Knowlton of New Bedford, | 25 | 100 | 125 |
| John H. Morrison of Lowell, | 45 | 48 | 93 |
| Sidney Perley of Salem, | | 1 | 1 |
| Walter P. J. Skahan of New Bedford, | 5 | | 5 |
| Blanks, | 9 | 11 | 20 |

FOR COUNCILOR, EIGHTH DISTRICT. PRECINCT A, PRECINCT B, TOTAL.

| | | | |
|--|----|-----|-----|
| Edward W. Hodges of Orange, | 41 | 58 | 99 |
| Hermann Koepke of Fitchburg, | 7 | | 7 |
| Parley A. Russell of Great Barrington, | 26 | 100 | 126 |
| Blanks, | 12 | 6 | 18 |

FOR SENATOR, SECOND HAMPDEN DISTRICT.

| | | | |
|----------------------------------|----|----|-----|
| John R. McNally of Holyoke, | 2 | 1 | 3 |
| William B. Mahoney of Westfield, | 58 | 69 | 127 |
| Daniel Proulx of Holyoke, | 26 | 90 | 116 |
| Blanks, | | 4 | 4 |

FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT,
SECOND HAMPDEN DISTRICT.

| | | | |
|-------------------------------------|----|-----|-----|
| Charles C. Beebe of Wilbraham, | 24 | 102 | 126 |
| Abel H. Calkins of East Longmeadow, | 49 | 58 | 107 |
| Blanks, | 13 | 4 | 17 |

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER.

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| William H. Brainard of Palmer, | 24 | 103 | 127 |
| George L. Coderre of Holyoke, | 9 | 1 | 10 |
| Geo. D. Eldredge of Chicopee, | 43 | 54 | 97 |
| Blanks, | 10 | 6 | 16 |

At a meeting of the Town Clerks of the several towns comprising the Second Hampden Representative District held at the Court House in Springfield at twelve o'clock (noon), on Friday, November seventeen, eighteen hundred and ninety-nine, the transcripts were examined and compared and the whole number of ballots cast for Representative in said district were found to be ten hundred and forty-four, of which Charles C. Beebe of Wilbraham received six hundred and sixty. Abel H. Calkins of East Longmeadow received three hundred and eighty-four, as follows by towns :

| TOWNS. | BEEBE, | CALKINS, | BLANKS. |
|----------------------------|--------|----------|---------|
| Agawam, | 126 | 107 | 17 |
| East Longmeadow, | 41 | 42 | 1 |
| Granville, | 43 | 43 | 2 |
| Hampden, | 50 | 12 | 1 |

| | | | | | BEEBE, | CALKINS, | BLANKS. |
|-------------|---|---|---|---|--------|----------|---------|
| Longmeadow, | . | . | . | . | 52 | 20 | 4 |
| Ludlow, | . | . | . | . | 128 | 65 | 6 |
| Southwick, | . | . | . | . | 73 | 51 | 9 |
| Tolland, | . | . | . | . | 19 | 6 | 1 |
| Wilbraham, | . | . | . | . | 128 | 38 | 14 |
| Total, | . | . | . | . | 660 | 384 | 55 |

JUDSON W. HASTINGS,

Town Clerk of Agawam.

O. L. WOLCOTT,

Town Clerk of East Longmeadow.

ELMER E. SMITH,

Town Clerk of Granville.

W. M. PEASE,

Town Clerk of Hampden.

W. F. EMERSON,

Town Clerk of Longmeadow.

A. H. BARTLETT,

Town Clerk of Ludlow.

J. SPENCER WHITE,

Town Clerk of Southwick.

WILBERT MUNN,

Town Clerk of Tolland.

F. A. FULLER,

Town Clerk of Wilbraham.

SPECIAL MEETING HELD AT TOWN HALL, FEEDING HILLS, NOVEMBER 24, 1899.

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.

Result of vote for Moderator :—

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| Henry E. Bodurtha, received | 13 |
| T. M. Roberts, received | 4 |
| J. W. Moore, | 2 |

ARTICLE 2. To see if the town desires Springfield street laid out three rods or four rods wide under the petition now pending before the County Commissioners and take all proper votes thereon.

James W. Moore, presented resolutions and moved their adoption, which motion was seconded.

T. M. Roberts moved that the resolutions be read section by section and amended if the meeting so desires.

The resolutions as amended were adopted and were as follows :—

Resolved. That the citizens of Agawam, in Town Meeting assembled, view the highway crossing on Springfield street over the tracks of the Hartford and Connecticut Western Railroad as insufficient and inadequate to the safety and convenience of public travel.

Resolved. That our Selectmen are hereby instructed to request the County Commissioners to so modify their decree as to cause the approaches to said crossing to be extended on the northerly side thereof so that the roadway shall be thirty feet wide thereon.

Resolved. That common convenience and necessity require that said approaches be hardened with stone or other suitable material.

Resolved. That we deem it expedient to have Springfield street laid out four rods wide.

Resolved. That the Selectmen be allowed to expend such sum as shall be necessary to effect the improvement of said Springfield street as aforesaid.

Voted—On motion of A. P. Loomis that this meeting be dissolved.

JUDSON W. HASTINGS,

Town Clerk.

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN AGAWAM FOR YEAR 1899.

| <i>Date of Birth.</i> | <i>Name of Child.</i> | <i>Sex.</i> | <i>Place of Birth.</i> | <i>Names of Parents. (Maiden Name of Mother.)</i> | <i>Residence of Parents.</i> | <i>Occupation of Father.</i> | <i>Birthplace of Father.</i> | <i>Birthplace of Mother.</i> |
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| Jan 5 | James Nathaniel Hilpold..... | m | Feeding Hills | Frederick W. and Lena Dailey | Agawam | Farml Laborer | Northampton | Holyoke |
| Jan 9 | Henry Norman Perron..... | m | Mittineague | Louis and Josephine Meunre | " | Barber | Farham, Canada | Agawam |
| Jan 20 | Dorris Grace Hamel..... | f | Agawam | William and Belle R. Taylor | " | Woolen Mill Operative | Swanton, Vt. | Stockholm, N. Y. |
| Jan 23 | Margerie Lou Rice..... | f | Feeding Hills | Louis H. and Annie J. Bradford | " | Farml Laborer | Easthampton | Holyoke |
| Jan 21 | Hernedoes Raymond St. Marie..... | m | Mittineague | Hernedoes and Mary L. Parent | " | Blacksmith | Canada | Agawam |
| Jan 22 | Marie Madeline Dullolio..... | f | Agawam | Gulio and Teresa Strogali | " | Farmer | Italy | Italy |
| Jan 24 | Eva May Duval..... | f | Mittineague | Julius and Stephanie Lebiac | " | House Painter | Canada | Canada |
| Feb 2 | Mabel Gladys Duels..... | f | Mittineague | Arthur and Kate O'Brien | " | Carpenter | West Springfield | Milwaukee, Wis. |
| Feb 10 | Joseph Edward Berneche..... | m | Mittineague | Joseph and Eugenie Dumont | " | Boxmaker | Canada | Canada |
| Feb 13 | Harold Francis Daly..... | m | Agawam | John and Bridget Duffy | " | Farml Laborer | Amenia, N. Y. | Charlotte, Vt. |
| Feb 27 | Paulina Emeline Basetti..... | f | Mittineague | Peter and Jessie Vanasse | " | Needlemaker | Agawam | Chicopee |
| Mar 1 | Francisco Louis Guidi..... | m | Mittineague | Francisco and Pasqualina Montagna | " | Hod Carrier | Italy | Italy |
| Mar 3 | Samuel Henry Roberts..... | m | Feeding Hills | H. Van Ness and Lillian M. McIntire | " | Farmer | South Hadley | South Hadley |
| Mar 4 | Frederick Joseph Larro..... | m | Mittineague | Frederick and Hattie Brissette | " | Papermaker | Greenbury, Conn. | Remington, Vt. |
| Mar 5 | Clayton Ambrose Collins..... | m | Mittineague | James A. and Elmina Debour | " | Steam Fitter | Agawam | Agawam |
| Mar 6 | Walker Roy Mathews..... | m | Springfield | Grant E. and Anna S. Dalton | " | Farmer | Henniker, N. H. | Mattawan, N. Y. |
| Mar 14 | Mary Louisa Armstrong..... | f | Agawam | George and Donald Bonley | " | Farmer | Parishville, N. Y. | Canada |
| Mar 31 | Carl Wilhelm Salzman..... | m | Agawam | August and Emma Hokanson | " | Hardwood Finisher | Smoland, Sweden | Wamland, Sweden |
| April 2 | Esther Hokanson..... | f | Springfield | Carl August and Emma S. Hokanson | " | Emp. U. S. Spg. Bed Co | Sweden | Sweden |
| April 5 | Edith Muriel Clark..... | f | Agawam | James H. and Addie A. Annis | " | Farmer | Hubbardston | Hartford, Conn. |
| April 12 | Marquerita Castelli..... | f | Mittineague | Carlo and Rosa Barbero | " | Papermaker | Italy | Italy |
| May 3 | Orville Marvin Parks..... | m | Feeding Hills | Nathan B. and Harriet Marcellus | " | Almshouse Master | Milton, N. Y. | Greenfield, N. Y. |
| May 11 | Byron Roberts Russell..... | m | Feeding Hills | Stephen O. and Bertha E. Roberts | " | Farmer | Foxboro | Agawam |
| May 29 | Orville Roberts Russell..... | m | Mittineague | George and Nellie Murphy | " | Miller | Easthampton | South Hadley |
| May 29 | Velena Marie Wenard..... | f | Mittineague | Phavian and Emma Morlin | " | Carpenter | Canada | Canada |
| June 31 | Helen Jennie Dumont..... | f | Mittineague | Alfred and Helen Robert | " | Carpenter | Canada | Agawam |
| June 3 | Ashley Robert Cooley..... | m | Feeding Hills | Willie E. and Jennie Lyon | " | Farmer | Hatfield | England |
| June 4 | Jeremiah Joseph Scannell..... | m | Agawam | Timothy J. and Bridget Sullivan | " | Maron Tender | Ireland | Ireland |
| June 5 | Earl Sumner Belden..... | m | Feeding Hills | Edwin M. and Edith Smith | " | Farml Laborer | Philadelphia, Pa. | Schnghtococe, N. Y. |
| June 22 | Gladys Ellen Fosse..... | f | Feeding Hills | Ernest A. and Susan McGrillis | " | Farmer | Springfield | Brookfield |
| June 23 | Nora Marguerite Otto..... | f | Agawam | Henry and Nora Teahan | " | Milk Peddler | Germany | Ireland |
| July 1 | Betta Mildred Randall..... | f | Agawam | Frederick H. and Asa Jane Clamplitt | " | Stationery Engineer | London, England | Durham, Canada |
| July 1 | Raymond Arthur Duolos..... | m | Mittineague | Wilfred and Emma Ferreault | " | Carpenter | Agawam | Chicopee |
| July 6 | Catherine Cecelia McLaughlin..... | f | Mittineague | John J. and Mary T. Hennessy | " | House Painter | Ireland | Ireland |
| July 13 | Evalist Melville Desmarais..... | m | Mittineague | Vital and Georgiana Menard | " | Carpenter | Canada | Canada |

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| July 22 | Ephraim Rena Duclous..... | m | Mittineague | William and Rosaline Bassett | Agawam | Carpenter | Agawam | Agawam |
| July 25 | Mary Eliza Irene T..... | f | Mittineague | William and Elizabeth Tetreau | " | Teamster | Springfield | Montreal, Canada |
| July 27 | Henry Raymond Menard..... | m | Mittineague | August and Mary Dube | " | Carpenter | Canada | Coboes, N. Y. |
| Aug 9 | Bernice Gretchen Ansh..... | f | Agawam | Michael L. and Frieda A. Shultz | " | Farmer | E. Hartford, Ct. | Germany |
| Sept 2 | Harold John Sullivan..... | m | Mittineague | John F. and Elizabeth L. Scullion | " | Papermaker | Holyoke | Greenfield |
| Sept 10 | Florence Ethel Morse..... | f | Feeding Hills | Edward H. and Grace E. Woodworth | " | Farm Laborer | Granby, Conn. | Providence, R. I. |
| Sept 13 | Mary Ellen Marceau..... | f | Mittineague | Michael and Mary O'Brien | " | Papermaker | Springfield | Agawam |
| Sept 14 | Jean Eliza Bruffee..... | f | Mittineague | Jos. Ferdinand and Elizabeth Coiteux | " | Carpenter | Canada | Canada |
| Sept 15 | Alice Mary Hawley..... | f | Feeding Hills | Alfred and Flora E. Slate | " | Grocer | Corinth, N. Y. | Gulford, Vt. |
| Sept 15 | Marie Irene Desforges..... | f | Mittineague | Michael J. and Margaret M. Sullivan | " | Papermaker | Northampton | Boston |
| Oct 5 | Ethel Angelina Robert..... | f | Mittineague | Joseph and Amanda Cyr | " | Carpenter | Canada | Canada |
| Oct 5 | Francis Fitzgerald..... | m | Mittineague | Henry W. and Margaret F. Donovan | " | House Painter | Agawam | Agawam |
| Oct 8 | Hazel Herting..... | f | Feeding Hills | Theodore M. and Ernestine Wagner | " | Tailor | Springfield | Ireland |
| Oct 9 | William Joseph Sharon..... | m | Mittineague | William E. and Matilda Leavitt | " | Farmer | Hartford, Conn. | Collinsville, Conn. |
| Oct 26 | Charlotte Linwood Mecum..... | f | Feeding Hills | Charles R. and Carrie E. Barrett | " | Peddler | North Troy, Vt. | Saco, Maine |
| Oct 28 | Violet Matilda Trevollion..... | f | Mittineague | Ernest Arthur and Evaline Duclous | " | Farmer | Becket | Pittsfield |
| Oct 30 | Catherine Josephine Houlahan..... | f | Mittineague | Michael P. and Agnes La Pearl | " | Machinist | England | Agawam |
| Oct 30 | Edward Montagna..... | m | Mittineague | Palo and Sara Serventi | " | Brakeman | Agawam | Worcester |
| Nov 11 | Quinto Avondo..... | m | Mittineague | Antonio and Marie Barbero | " | Laborer | Italy | Italy |
| Nov 13 | Evelyn Froet..... | f | Feeding Hills | Charles A. and Eva E. Barrus | " | Shoemaker | Italy | Italy |
| Nov 17 | Heleen Maria O'Connor..... | f | Mittineague | Michael and Mary Devine | " | Farmer | Springfield | Goshen |
| Nov 23 | Marie Adwilda Paro..... | f | Mittineague | Israel and Josephine Bassett | " | Fireman | Ireland | Ireland |
| Dec 5 | Florence Louise Burns..... | f | Mittineague | Andrew and Rosa Desforges | " | Brakeman | Canada | Chicopee |
| Dec 6 | Charles Samuel Slight..... | m | Feeding Hills | Walter Eno and Isabelle M. Dunsecomb | " | Papermaker | Hartford, Conn. | Agawam |
| Dec 15 | Emilie St. Denis..... | f | Feeding Hills | Joseph and Aurelia Farrioli | " | Farmer | Wrangle, England | Agawam |
| Dec 15 | Marie Philemena St. Denis. { twins | m | Mittineague | Theophile and Eliza Meunard | " | Laborer | Canada | St. Albans, Vt. |
| Dec 25 | Marie Guidi..... | f | Mittineague | Joseph and Aurelia Farrioli | " | Mason | Italy | Italy |
| Dec 26 | Alfred Ernest Cook..... | m | Feeding Hills | Alfred John and Ida Woodworth | " | Tender | West England | Springfield |

m—male

f—female

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN AGAWAM FOR THE YEAR 1899.

| <i>Date and Place of Marriage.</i> | <i>Names and Surnames of Groom and Bride.</i> | <i>Residence of Each at Time of Marriage.</i> | <i>Age of Each.</i> | <i>Occupation of Each.</i> | <i>Place of Birth of Each.</i> | <i>Names of Parents, (Maiden Name of Mother.)</i> | <i>No. of Mar- riage.</i> | <i>By Whom Married.</i> |
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| January 1, Agawam | Henry Nedo Fannie Desforges | Windsor Locks, Agawam | 21 17 | Woolen Weaver | Canada Agawam | Baptiste and Victoria George and Mary Robert | 1st 1st | Jos. M. A. Genest, Pastor, Fr. Catholic Church, Mittleague. |
| January 2, Agawam | George O. Provost Lena Chaquette | Agawam Enfield, Ct. | 24 20 | Wood Planer Clerk | Agawam Brookfield | Albert and Rosalie Parant Ambrose and Macle Desotelle | 1st 1st | Jos. M. A. Genest, Pastor, Fr. Catholic Church, Mittleague. |
| January 10, Springfield | Frank Lester Furrow | Springfield | 36 | Teamster | Westfield | Nelson and Mary Longley | 1st | M. J. Abern, Clergyman, Merrick. |
| January 10, W. Springfield | Mary Rebecca Turner | Agawam | 26 | Domestic | Jersey Cy, N. J. | Rudolph S. and Mary M. Haley | 1st | Jos. M. A. Genest, Pastor, Fr. Catholic Church, Mittleague. |
| February 7, Springfield | William T. Mahoney | Springfield | 21 | Cigar-maker | Springfield | William T. and Jane Lavin | 1st | Jos. M. A. Genest, Pastor, Fr. Catholic Church, Mittleague. |
| February 7, Agawam | Clara Goulet | Agawam | 24 | Rag Sorter | Westfield | Amie and Malvina Rivers | 1st | Frank L. Garfield, Clergyman, Feeding Hills. |
| March 11, W. Springfield | Alfred John Cook | W. Springfield | 23 | Confectioner | Bromley, Eng. | James and Helen Bartlett | 1st | Samuel A. Read, Minister of the Gospel, Agawam. |
| March 11, Agawam | Ida May Woodworth | Agawam | 19 | | W. Springfield | Alfred and Mary Ball | 1st | Walter Rice, Pastor, Congregational Church, Agawam. |
| April 5, Agawam | Frank R. Pomeroy | Agawam | 27 | Farmer | Barnardston | Rollin C. and Mary A. Sullivan | 1st | Frank L. Garfield, Clergyman, Feeding Hills. |
| April 5, Agawam | Hattie E. Fish | Agawam | 24 | | Agawam | Levi S. and Emma E. Dewey | 1st | Minister of the Gospel, Agawam. |
| April 11, Agawam | Walter Eno Slight | Agawam | 28 | Farmer | Wrangle, Eng. | Charles and Lucy Jeffrey | 1st | Walter Rice, Pastor, Congregational Church, Agawam. |
| April 11, Agawam | Isabelle Mary Dunscomb | Agawam | 17 | | Agawam | Sammuel R. and Arubah L. Williams | 1st | Frank L. Garfield, Clergyman, Feeding Hills. |
| April 19, Agawam | Charles H. Wood | Springfield | 31 | Barber | Hartford, Ct. | Clarence W. and Sarah Huntley | 1st | Frank L. Garfield, Clergyman, Feeding Hills. |
| April 19, Springfield | Edythe Florence Allen | Agawam | 22 | | Agawam | Ethan D. and Nina Wilcox | 1st | M. A. K. Kelley, Priest. |
| April 20, Springfield | Michael W. Burke | Agawam | 24 | Farmer | Agawam | Henry and Jane Keating | 1st | Frank L. Garfield, Minister of the Gospel, Feeding Hills |
| April 20, Springfield | Nellie Sullivan | Springfield | 23 | | Ireland | Patrick and Katherine Conway | 1st | Walter Rice, Pastor, Congregational Church, Agawam. |
| May 31, Agawam | Herbert Henry Hedges | Agawam | 28 | Farmer | Agawam | Henry E. and Rosa Bills | 1st | Jos. M. A. Genest, Priest, Mittleague. |
| June 7, Agawam | Ethel May Barton | Agawam | 19 | Domestic | Troy, N. Y. | Charles Estes and Cecelia A. Kent | 1st | J. P. Hackett, Clergyman, So. Hadley Falls. |
| June 7, Agawam | Arthur J. Allen | W. Springfield | 27 | Milkman | Daniel, P. Q. | Richard and Sarah Smith | 1st | Rev. A. Delphos, Priest, Chicopee Falls. |
| June 7, Agawam | Ruby E. Madden | Agawam | 23 | | Springfield | Henry E. and Lucy R. Gills | 1st | |
| June 27, Agawam | Arthur Roberts | Agawam | 25 | Carpenter | Agawam | Arthur and Adaline Robert | 1st | |
| June 27, Agawam | Florence Harriet Morin | Agawam | 26 | | Agawam | Augustus and Rosalie Pelkey | 1st | |
| June 27, S. Hadley Falls, | John Fitzgerald | Agawam | 26 | Papermaker | Ireland | John and Kate Malone | 1st | |
| July 9, Chicopee Falls, | Mary Kennedy | S. Hadley Falls | 23 | Domestic | Ireland | John and Catherine O'Sullivan | 1st | |
| July 9, Chicopee Falls, | Thobaldo Chevalier | Chicopee | 27 | Machinist | Chicopee | Arsene and Andrei LaJeunesse | 1st | |
| July 9, Chicopee Falls, | Emma Chevalier | Agawam | 26 | Papermaker | Spencer | Narcisse and Jane Ball | 1st | |

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|------------------------------------|---|---|---------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------|---|--------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| July 25, W. Springfield, | Lawrence P. Griffin | Springfield | 24 | Wholesale Pow- | Springfield | John and Mary Millan | 1st | J. J. O'Keefe, Clergyman, |
| September 17, Springfield | Catherine V. Shea | Agawam | 20 | [der Dealer | Agawam | Dan and Mary O'Connell | 1st | West Springfield. |
| | Louis H. Naughton | Agawam | 24 | Laborer | Agawam | George F. and Jane Pomeroy | 1st | Charles Edward Spaulding, |
| | Nellie M. Meyrick | Agawam | 20 | | Springfield | Joseph J. and Ada Howard | 1st | Clergyman, Springfield. |
| October 4, Monterey | Henry Alexander Hunt'ton | Agawam | 30 | Farmer | Becket | George H. and Julia Clark | 1st | William E. Fobes, |
| | Jennie Selona Thompson | Monterey | 28 | Teacher | Monterey | Sheridan W. and Selona E. Thomson | 1st | Minister of the Gospel, Worcester. |
| November 9, Agawam | Alvin Richard Kellogg | Agawam | 21 | Farmer | Agawam | Edward A. and Alice Rising | 1st | Frank L. Garfield, |
| November 18, Agawam | Ocie Augusta Kenyon | Agawam | 21 | | Outs | Sprague R. and Elizabeth Parsons | 1st | Minister of the Gospel, Feeding Hills |
| | Aretas P. Loomis | Agawam | 55 | Farmer | Agawam | Edmund and Clarissa E. Phelon | 2d | Rev. Edward Day, |
| | Georgie M. Jardine | Agawam | 20 | Domestic | Pownald, P. E. I. | Samuel and Madeline Kidson | 1st | Congregational Minister, Springfield |
| December 24, Northampton | William A. Drew | Agawam | 26 | Peddler | Springfield | Absalom and Mary Cadle | 1st | Rev. James C. Breaker, Pastor, |
| December 27, W. Springfield | Eva Blanchard | Holyoke | 25 | Bookkeeper | Holyoke | Napoleon and Susie Borden | 1st | Baptist Church, Northampton. |
| | George H. U. Estabrook | Agawam | 22 | Buttonmaker | North Hadley | Edgar O. and Fidelia Damard | 1st | J. Hugh Jenner, Pastor, |
| | Grace M. Osborn | W. Springfield | 23 | | Agawam | Charles L. and Ella Pomeroy | 1st | Baptist Church, Merrick. |

DEATHS REGISTERED IN AGAWAM FOR YEAR 1899.

| Date of Death. | 1 Name of Deceased. 2 Name of Husband. | | Sex. | Cond. | Age. | | Disease or Cause of Death. | 1 Residence. 2 Place of Death. | | Place of Burial. | Occupation. | Place of Birth. | Name and Birthplace of Father. | | Name and Birthplace of Mother. | |
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| | | | | | Ms. | Ds. | | | | | | | | | | |
| Jan. 4 | Luther Warner King..... | | m | m | 76 | | 1 Exhaustion 2 Atherma | 1 Agawam 2 Feeding Hills | Westhampton | Farmer | Westhampton | Westhampton | Luther King | Westhampton | Harriet Clark | Westhampton |
| Jan. 10 | Hanora Rlordan..... | | f | s | 44 | | 2 Epileptic Convulsions | 1 Agawam 2 Feeding Hills | Chicopee Falls | Agawam | Ireland | Ireland | John Rlordan | Ireland | Anne Donovan | Ireland |
| Jan. 14 | 1 Harriet Scott..... | | f | w | 96 | 2 18 | 1 Pneumonia | 2 Feeding Hills | Westfield | Agawam | Tolland, Ct. | Agawam | Asel Cady | Agawam | Carrie E. Bassett | Pittsfield |
| Jan. 21 | 2 Ephraim Scott..... | | m | s | 4 | 17 | 1 LaGrippe | 2 Feeding Hills | Feeding Hills | Agawam | Williamstown | Williamstown | Charles R. Mecune | Becket | Betsy Stebbins | Williamstown |
| Jan. 25 | Harold G. Meccum..... | | m | s | 4 | 17 | 1 Pneumonia | 2 Feeding Hills | Feeding Hills | Agawam | Housewife | Agawam | Charles R. Mecune | Becket | Rosa Desotelle | Canada |
| Jan. 25 | Charles Stebbins Sylvester | | m | m | 72 | 5 13 | 1 Intestinal Obstruction 2 Pleurisy | 1 Agawam 2 Feeding Hills | W. Springfield | Clergyman | Housewife | Stafford, Ct. | Elakim Sylvester | Cheshirefield | Lydia Parks | Canada |
| Jan. 26 | 1 Mary L. St. Marie..... | | f | m | 24 | | 2 Septicemia | 1 Agawam 2 Mittenague | Wales | Housewife | Domestic | Ireland | Telesphor Parent | Canada | Ellen Ahern | Ireland |
| Jan. 28 | 2 Hermidos St. Marie..... | | f | m | 81 | | Gastic and Intestinal Atony | 1 Agawam 2 Mittenague | W. Springfield | Farmer | Gardner | Ireland | Joshua Howes | Stafford, Conn. | Chloe Griswold | Ireland |
| Jan. 31 | 2 Chandler Needham..... | | f | w | 87 | | Old Age | 1 Agawam 2 Mittenague | Feeding Hills | Farmer | Farmer | Agawam | Michael McCarthy | Ireland | Johanna | Ireland |
| Feb. 5 | 1 Mary Taylor..... | | m | m | 70 | 8 | Meningitis | 2 Feeding Hills | W. Springfield | Farmer | Gardner | Ireland | Gilbert King | Ireland | John Crowley | Ireland |
| Feb. 10 | James Gilbert King..... | | m | m | 63 | | Cancer of Stomach | 1 Agawam 2 Mittenague | W. Springfield | Gardner | Gardner | Ireland | John Crowley | Ireland | John Crowley | Ireland |
| Feb. 11 | Dennis J. Crowley..... | | m | m | 63 | | Cancer of Stomach | 1 Agawam 2 Mittenague | W. Springfield | Gardner | Gardner | Ireland | John Crowley | Ireland | John Crowley | Ireland |
| Feb. 11 | 1 Ellen O'Brien..... | | f | w | 78 | | 1 Atonic Dyspepsia | 2 Mittenague | W. Springfield | Gardner | Gardner | Ireland | John Crowley | Ireland | John Crowley | Ireland |
| Feb. 20 | 2 John O'Brien..... | | m | w | 69 | 10 | 2 Heart Disease 2 Heart Disease | 1 Agawam 2 Mittenague | W. Springfield | Gardner | Gardner | Ireland | John Crowley | Ireland | John Crowley | Ireland |
| Feb. 20 | John Angus..... | | m | w | 69 | 10 | Heart Disease | 1 Agawam 2 Mittenague | W. Springfield | Gardner | Gardner | Ireland | John Crowley | Ireland | John Crowley | Ireland |
| Feb. 23 | 1 Bridget Lacey..... | | f | m | 87 | | Influenza | 1 Agawam 2 Mittenague | W. Springfield | Gardner | Gardner | Ireland | John Crowley | Ireland | John Crowley | Ireland |
| Mar. 3 | 2 Thomas Lacey..... | | m | m | 82 | | 1 LaGrippe | 2 Mittenague | W. Springfield | Gardner | Gardner | Ireland | John Crowley | Ireland | John Crowley | Ireland |
| Mar. 8 | Calixte Larriere..... | | m | s | 3 | | 2 Old Age 3 t feurisy | 1 Agawam 2 Mittenague | W. Springfield | Gardner | Gardner | Ireland | John Crowley | Ireland | John Crowley | Ireland |
| Mar. 8 | Fred Lairo..... | | m | s | 16 | 7 | 4 Tuberculois | 1 Agawam 2 Mittenague | W. Springfield | Gardner | Gardner | Ireland | John Crowley | Ireland | John Crowley | Ireland |
| Mar. 8 | Delour Sauve..... | | m | s | 16 | 7 | 4 Tuberculois | 1 Agawam 2 Mittenague | W. Springfield | Gardner | Gardner | Ireland | John Crowley | Ireland | John Crowley | Ireland |
| Mar. 22 | James H. Carrow..... | | m | m | 33 | | Multiple Neuritis | 1 Agawam 2 Mittenague | W. Springfield | Gardner | Gardner | Ireland | John Crowley | Ireland | John Crowley | Ireland |
| Mar. 23 | 1 Margaret Helen Smith..... | | f | m | 30 | 3 | 7 Chr. Gastro Enteric | 1 Agawam 2 Mittenague | W. Springfield | Gardner | Gardner | Ireland | John Crowley | Ireland | John Crowley | Ireland |
| Mar. 23 | 2 Oliver W. Smith..... | | m | m | 30 | 3 | 7 Chr. Gastro Enteric | 1 Agawam 2 Mittenague | W. Springfield | Gardner | Gardner | Ireland | John Crowley | Ireland | John Crowley | Ireland |

m—Male. f—Female. s—Single. w—Widowed. m—Married.

DEATHS REGISTERED IN AGAWAM FOR 1899.—Continued.

| Date of Death. | 1 Name of Deceased. 2 Name of Husband. | Sex. | Cond. | Age. | | Disease or Cause of Death. | 1 Residence. 2 Place of Death. | | Place of Burial. | Occupation. | Place of Birth. | Name and Birthplace of Father. | Name and Birthplace of Mother. |
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| | | | | Ys. | Ms. | | | | | | | | |
| Mar. 28 | Alfred Gosselin..... | m | s | 17 | 9 | 12 | Typoid Fever | 1 Agawam 2 Mittineague | W. Springfield | Papemaker | Mittineague | Amos Gosselin Vermont | Esther Giroux Canada |
| April 2 | Gertrude J. Pillsbury..... | f | s | 7 | 11 | 1 | Pneumonia | 1 Agawam 2 Mittineague | W. Springfield | Agawam | Mittineague | Edward W. Pillsbury W. Springfield | Susan E. Justin Hinsdale |
| April 4 | 1 Cornelia O. De Wolf..... 2 Daniel Burton DeWolf... | f | m | 68 | 8 | 6 | Cancer | 1 Agawam 2 Feeding Hills | Lee | Housewife | Westbrook, Conn. | John De Wolf Clinton, Conn. | Caroline Meigs Winthrop, Conn. |
| April 22 | 1 Mary Struthers..... 2 David Struthers..... | f | m | 49 | 11 | 6 | Pneumonia | 1 Agawam 2 Feeding Hills | W. Springfield | Housewife | Canada | Grove Monica Canada | Margaret Mason Canada |
| April 28 | George D. Fiske..... | m | m | 53 | | | Bright's Disease | 1 Agawam 2 Feeding Hills | Agawam | Farmer | Springfield | Loren W. Fisk Wales | Eunice Burns Enfield, Conn. |
| May 9 | 1 Hannah Marie Halladay.. 2 James C. Halladay..... | f | w | 90 | 1 | 20 | Bronchitis | 1 Agawam 2 Feeding Hills | Feeding Hills | | Agawam | Spencer Flower Agawam | Rosamond McIntire Agawam |
| May 13 | 1 Nellie Buchanan..... 2 George R. Buchanan..... | f | m | 21 | | | Puerperal Eclampsia | 1 Agawam 2 Springfield | Springfield | Housewife | South Hadley | Patrick Murphy Ireland | Mary Ireland |
| May 27 | Salmon Slater..... | m | w | 69 | | | 1 Focal Imposita 2 Chronic Gastritis | 1 Agawam 2 Feeding Hills | Feeding Hills | Farmer | Springfield | Anthony Slater Springfield | Lavina Carpenter Springfield |
| June 2 | Edward Bernache..... | m | s | 3 | | | Marasmus | 1 Agawam 2 Mittineague | W. Springfield | | Agawam | Joseph Bernache Canada | Eugene Dumont Canada |
| June 27 | William Sauve..... | m | s | 15 | | | Tuberculosis | 1 Agawam 2 Mittineague | W. Springfield | | Michigan | Joseph Sauve Canada | Rose Descoteaux Canada |
| June 28 | Marehesta Castell..... | m | s | 3 | | | Cholera Infantum | 1 Agawam 2 Mittineague | W. Springfield | | Agawam | Carlo Castelli Italy | Rosa Barbero Italy |
| July 21 | William W. Allen..... | m | m | 25 | | | Tuberculosis | 1 Agawam 2 Mittineague | Agawam | Farmer | Agawam | Alson W. Allen Wares | Harriet E. Woods Soneer, Conn. |
| July 28 | Annie Harriet Powers. | f | s | 16 | 10 | 24 | Tuberculosis | 1 Agawam 2 Mittineague | Agawam | | Agawam | Edmund N. Powers Greenfield | Henrietta B. Perry Agawam |
| Aug. 6 | 1 Eliza Buckley..... 2 John Buckley..... | f | m | 50 | | | Heart Disease | 1 Agawam 2 Mittineague | W. Springfield | Housewife | Ireland | James Culm Ireland | Elizabeth McArthur Ireland |
| Aug. 18 | Alfred Schultze..... | m | s | 18 | | | Heart Disease | 1 Agawam 2 Mittineague | Agawam | Lithographer | Springfield | Albert F. Schultze Germany | Anna Haenrich Germany |
| Aug. 19 | Ephraim Ducloue..... | m | s | 28 | | | Cholera Infantum | 1 Agawam 2 Mittineague | W. Springfield | | Agawam | William Duclou Agawam | Rosaline Bossette Agawam |
| Aug. 20 | Evarist M. Desmarais..... | m | s | 1 | 7 | | Marasmus | 1 Agawam 2 Mittineague | W. Springfield | | Agawam | Vital Desmarais Canada | Georgiana Menard Canada |

m—Male. f—Female. s—Single. w—Widowed. m—Married.

DEATHS REGISTERED IN AGAWAM FOR YEAR 1899.—Continued.

| Date of Death. | Sex. | Cond. | Age. | | | Disease or Cause of Death. | 1 Residence 2 Place of Death. | Place of Burial. | Occupation | Place of Birth. | Name and Birthplace of Father. | Name and Birthplace of Mother. |
|----------------|------|-------|------|------|-------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------|----------------|-----------------|---|--------------------------------------|
| | | | Yrs. | Mos. | Days. | | | | | | | |
| Aug. 31 | m | s | 1 | 4 | | Cholera Infantum | Agawam | Agawam | | Agawam | Gustave A. Brandt Germany | May Parsons Springfield |
| Sept. 1 | f | w | 63 | | 28 | Carcinoma | 1 Agawam 2 Feeding Hills | Millerton, N. Y. | Salisbury, Ct. | Salisbury, Ct. | Edward Reed Salisbury, Conn. | Lemira Lawrence North East, N. Y. |
| Sept. 19 | f | s | | | 7 | Premature Birth | 1 Agawam 2 Mittenague | W. Springfield | Agawam | Agawam | Joseph F. Narceau Canada | Eliza Boileau Canada |
| Oct. 5 | m | m | 40 | 4 | 3 | Typhoid Fever | 1 Agawam 2 Springfield | W. Springfield | Laborer | Ireland | Patrick Baker Ireland | Johanna Granfield Ireland |
| Oct. 6 | m | m | 36 | | | Suicide | 1 Agawam 2 Springfield | Springfield | Farm Laborer | Austria | | |
| Oct. 19 | m | s | | | 28 | Diphtheria | 1 Agawam 2 Mittenague | Chicopee | | W. Springfield | Charles La Sage Canada | Lydia Monpetit Canada |
| Oct. 8 | m | s | | | | Premature | Agawam | Springfield | | Agawam | Henry W. Fitzgerald Ireland | Margaret F. Donovan Ireland |
| Oct. 12 | f | s | 2 | | | Diphtheria | Agawam | Agawam | | Agawam | Charles Hayward Hinsdale | Ida Bush Northampton |
| Nov. 3 | m | m | 49 | 3 | | Typhoid Fever | 1 Agawam 2 Mittenague | W. Springfield | Laborer | Canada | Antoine Bessette Canada | Josephine Masse Canada |
| Nov. 4 | m | m | 31 | | | Rheumatism | 1 Agawam 2 Mittenague | W. Springfield | Painter | Mittenague | Desire Robert Canada | Delima Duval Canada |
| Nov. 6 | m | s | 3 | | | Membranous Croup | Agawam | Springfield | | Springfield | Julius Dalloleo Italy | Teresa Strolagi Italy |
| Nov. 7 | m | m | 27 | 11 | 1 | Tuberculosis | 1 Agawam 2 Feeding Hills | Feeding Hills | Farmer | Agawam | Willis H. Huntley Canandaigua, N. Y. | Mary Jane Lay Agawam |
| Nov. 18 | m | m | 58 | 6 | | Intra Menstrued Hemorrhage | 1 Agawam 2 Mittenague | W. Springfield | Stone Mason | Ireland | | |
| Nov. 23 | m | s | 1 | | | Diphtheria | 1 Agawam 2 Mittenague | W. Springfield | | Agawam | Michael J. Hawley Northampton | Margaret Sullivan Boston |
| Nov. 26 | f | m | 72 | | | Heart Disease | Agawam | Agawam | Housewife | Granville | Halvey Stocking Westfield | Lucinda Chickley Granville |
| Nov. 29 | f | s | 1 | | | Pneumonia | 1 Agawam 2 Mittenague | W. Springfield | | Southwick | Louis Pelithory France | Virginia Menard Springfield |
| Dec. 17 | m | m | 69 | 6 | | 1 Heart Disease 2 Chr. Rheumatism | Agawam | Agawam | Farmer | N. Carolina | Carolina Jones North Carolina | Violet Merle North Carolina |
| Dec. 22 | f | s | 7 | 9 | 4 | Pneumonia | 1 Agawam 2 Mittenague | W. Springfield | | Agawam | Charles Lafond Canada | Mederism Q. Messier Canada |

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REPORT OF SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS AND OVERSEERS OF POOR.

To the Citizens of Agawam:

In presenting this, our annual report for the year ending March, 1900, a few facts may be worthy of mention.

At the last annual town meeting, a spirit of liberality seemed to prevail, the appropriations being quite largely in excess of the amount recommended, and necessarily making a tax rate some considerable higher than that of the previous year—\$15.20 per thousand.

At the beginning of the year it was the intention of your Board of Selectmen to keep expenses in the different departments under their charge, as low as possible. This we have done to the best of our ability, without practicing that economy which in the end is not economy.

Highways and Bridges.

Our highway surveyors have kept expenditures fairly within limits. A balance of over \$500 remained from the appropriation of 1898 for special work, from which has been drawn for the finishing of the work in Main street, Agawam, near the meadows, and making what we firmly believe a good investment.

The old wooden structure known as Agawam bridge was burned late in May, which left a much-traveled thoroughfare without a passage across the river. At a special town meeting we were author-

ized to contract in conjunction with West Springfield selectmen for a thirty-foot steel bridge, and provide for a temporary bridge. Delays beyond our control were experienced until July 10th, bids were received from twelve bridge firms ranging from \$18,130 to \$22,700. These plans were afterwards changed, and a contract was signed by West Springfield and Agawam selectmen with the Pittsburg Bridge Co., the amount of our portion of said bridge to be \$8,863. The contract included a temporary bridge, and called for the completion of the steel bridge the 14th of last December. The condition of the iron market prevented the said company from filling their contract on the time specified, but the temporary bridge fairly well accommodated public travel until high water in January removed it. The steel for the bridge was finally delivered in February, but high water delayed the erection until the first week of the present month, and at the time of this writing, the probabilities are that the bridge will be open for travel soon after April 1st. The appropriation of \$1,500 for special highway work has been used towards the payment of this bridge and \$1,000 has been borrowed upon the town's note for this purpose. Other highway work has been of the usual repairs.

Care of the Poor.

The expenses for care of the poor have been the smallest for several years. Early in the year an inmate of Worcester Lunatic Hospital was removed to our almshouse, where he has since remained at a much reduced cost, but one more has been added to our hospital list so the number has been kept good. At the almshouse we have had only three inmates of our own, but have boarded for West Springfield, for which we have received upwards of \$108. The tendency to impose upon town officials in seeking aid has kept up to the average, but figures will show that we have not yielded to these importunities to a very great extent. The outlook for the coming year in this department is not as bright as one year ago.

Electric Road Forfeiture.

The matter of the \$2,000 forfeit money deposited with us, under conditions imposed in the franchise granted to Electric

Railroad Company, is in process of litigation in the Courts. This money was deposited in the Pynchon National Bank of Springfield, but before the time of forfeiture expired an injunction was issued by the Court restraining the removal of the same. A suit to recover the said sum was also commenced by Electric Company, the outcome of which we are deeply interested in.

Financial Condition.

Our financial condition has improved at least in some respects. \$1,000 has been paid into the sinking fund, and an old standing note of \$800 has been canceled. Our total indebtedness, as shown, is \$38,000, less sinking fund, \$32,000, or about 2.4 per cent. of our valuation. At the last report of the Tax Commissioner, over 120 towns had a higher percentage of indebtedness than this rate. Over \$5,000 yet remains to be paid upon Agawam bridge construction. One note of \$1,000 becomes payable June 1st of this year. Over \$1,200 more remains in the Collector's hands as unpaid taxes, than was reported at this time last year.

The Outlook.

The outlook for the coming year is not one of promise of a lower tax rate than for 1899. If the appropriations can be kept within the figures recommended elsewhere, the tax rate will probably not be much over \$15; otherwise, for every \$1,300 extra, \$1 is added to the rate. The cutting of expenses in the different departments below recommendations appears quite a problem. The recent rains have damaged the highways to an extent that will require quite an expenditure; at least three bridges require rebuilding. The Mitten-eague bridge is also a coming problem which you will be asked to solve at the coming town meeting. Its condition demands immediate attention.

H. E. BODURTHA,

R. M. TAYLOR,

J. H. REED,

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor.

Agawam, March 9, 1900.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

JUDSON W. HASTINGS, TREASURER.

IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TOWN OF AGAWAM.

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| To balance in treasury..... | \$708.24 |
| Amount received from Town of Westfield, for paupers | 24.00 |
| City of Northampton, for paupers..... | 3.00 |
| State Treasurer, for paupers..... | 39.00 |
| " Instruction of State children.... | 132.00 |
| " Inspection of animals..... | 61.41 |
| " Corporation taxes..... | 688.84 |
| " National bank taxes..... | 587.13 |
| " Military Aid, Chap. 279, Acts 1894 | 72.00 |
| " State Aid, " 301, " | 168 00 |
| " Income Mass. School fund..... | 294.38 |
| Liquor license..... | 1,300.00 |
| Springfield Inst. for Savings, temporary loan. | 5,000.00 |
| " " " Bridge loan.... | 1,000.00 |
| Cornelius Crowley, acct. school building.... | 247.50 |
| E. P. Clark, sheriff, for fines..... | 6.00 |
| Clerk of Police Court for fines..... | 6.50 |
| County Treasurer, dog fund..... | 283.69 |
| Income Mary A. Phelon, library fund..... | 20.20 |
| Treasurer Town of Granville, Supt. of Schools | 525.00 |
| Shovels sold..... | 1.88 |
| Produce of Town farm..... | 35.29 |

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| Slaughter house licenses..... | \$3.00 |
| Rent of Town Hall, Agawam..... | 36.50 |
| " " Feeding Hills..... | 22.25 |
| Sewer assessments..... | 356.75 |
| Interests on deposits..... | 47.79 |
| Town of West Springfield, for paupers..... | 108.57 |
| Monroe Hayward, Collector, 1898..... | 616.66 |
| " " " 1899..... | 7,421.90 |
| Daniel W. Corwin, " 1897..... | 40.80 |
| " " " 1898..... | 764.05 |
| " " " 1899..... | 5,545.29 |
| Frank L. Dugan, " 1898..... | 528.60 |
| " " " 1899..... | 5,045.81 |
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| \$31,742.03 | |

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| By paying State Treasurer 25 per cent. liquor license | \$325.00 |
| Spencer Savings Bank, interest..... | 200.00 |
| Chicopee Savings Bank, interest..... | 200.00 |
| Leicester Savings Bank, interest..... | 400.00 |
| Plymouth Five Cents Savings Bank, interest. | 200.00 |
| Springfield Inst. for Savings, interest..... | 510.88 |
| " " " temporary loan. | 5,000.00 |
| " " " on demand note | 800.00 |
| Desire A. Pyne, interest..... | 120.00 |
| County tax..... | 1,476.80 |
| State tax..... | 765.00 |
| Sinking Fund Commissioners..... | 1,000.00 |
| Selectmen's and School Committee's orders | |
| Schools, Supt. and supplies..... | 6,820.84 |
| Transportation..... | 212.31 |
| High School tuition..... | 886.00 |
| Paupers, outside relief..... | 1,520.33 |
| " almshouse..... | 753.56 |
| Highways and bridges..... | 2,044.08 |
| Special highway work | 272.72 |

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| Sidewalks | \$99.15 |
| Agawam bridge | 3,810.82 |
| State and Military Aid | 433.00 |
| Care of Town Hall | 90.85 |
| Repairs of Town buildings | 169.60 |
| Town officers | 1,209.80 |
| Contingencies | 856.20 |
| Public Library | 239.99 |
| Memorial Day | 35.00 |
| Street lights | 181.55 |
| Water supply | 136.90 |
| Balance in treasury March 9, 1900 | 971.65 |

\$31,742.03

We have examined the accounts of the Town Treasurer for the year 1899-1900 and find them correct with the proper vouchers.

FRED A. WORTHINGTON,
JOHN G. FREELAND,

Auditors.

Agawam, Mass., March 13, 1900.

ASSESSORS' REPORT.

Property Assessed May 1, 1899.

| | |
|--------------------|--------|
| Horses | 605 |
| Cows | 1,164 |
| Neat cattle..... | 326 |
| Swine | 147 |
| Fowls..... | 2,442 |
| Bicycles | 190 |
| Houses..... | 527 |
| Acres of land..... | 13,837 |

Valuation.

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| Real estate..... | \$1,177,990.00 |
| Personal..... | 169,710.00 |
| | \$1,347,700.00 |

Upon which taxes have been assessed
as follows :—

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|---------------------------------------|----------|
| State tax..... | \$765.00 |
| County tax..... | 1,476.80 |
| Schools, Superintendent and supplies. | 6,500.00 |
| High School tuition..... | 1,000.00 |
| Highways and bridges..... | 2,000.00 |
| Special highways..... | 1,500.00 |
| Support of poor..... | 2,300.00 |
| Contingencies..... | 800.00 |
| Town officers..... | 1,000.00 |
| State aid..... | 300.00 |

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| Interest..... | \$1,600.00 | |
| Sinking fund..... | 1,000.00 | |
| Care of Town Halls..... | 50.00 | |
| Repairs of town buildings..... | 200.00 | |
| Street lights..... | 125.00 | |
| Collectors of taxes..... | 300.00 | |
| Discount on taxes..... | 750.00 | |
| Memorial Day..... | 35.00 | |
| Sidewalks..... | 100.00 | |
| Libraries..... | 75.00 | |
| Water supply..... | 75.00— | \$21,951.80 |
| Less an underlay..... | 80.76— | 21,871.04 |
| Tax on real and personal estate at the rate of \$15.20 per thousand.... | 20,485 04 | |
| 693 polls, at \$2.00..... | 1,386.00— | 21,871.04 |
| To Monroe Hayward was committed for collection, the sum of..... | 8,904.58 | |
| Additional assessments..... | 24.42 | |
| Interest charged..... | 3.82— | 8,932.82 |
| Upon which he has been credited : | | |
| Cash paid Treasurer..... | 7,421.90 | |
| Discount allowed..... | 342.59 | |
| Commission..... | 111.31 | |
| Abatements..... | .76 | |
| Amount due March 9, 1900..... | 1,056.26— | 8,932.82 |
| To Daniel W. Corwin was committed for collection, the sum of..... | 7,342.53 | |
| Interest charged..... | 1.21— | 7,343.74 |
| Upon which he has been credited : | | |
| Cash paid Treasurer..... | 5,545.29 | |
| Discount..... | 286.69 | |
| Commission..... | 83.07 | |
| Amount due March 9, 1900..... | 1,428.69— | 7,343.74 |
| To Frank L. Dugan was committed for collection, the sum of..... | 5,623.93 | |
| Additional assessment..... | 513.47 | |
| Interest charged..... | 2.10— | 6,139.50 |

Upon which he has been credited :

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| Cash paid treasurer..... | \$5,045.81 | |
| Discount | 210.64 | |
| Abatements | 19.70 | |
| Commission | 75.67 | |
| Amount due March 9, 1900..... | 787.68— | \$6,139.50 |

ABATEMENTS ALLOWED.

FRANK L. DUGAN, Collector.

1898.

| | |
|-------------------------|--------|
| Frank Ashley..... | \$4.07 |
| Anthony Bassett..... | 2.00 |
| Joseph Baskell..... | 2.00 |
| Gattonna Caocchi..... | 2.76 |
| Dennis Finnegan..... | 2.00 |
| Thomas Fitzgerald..... | 2.00 |
| Albert Gaudprea..... | 2.00 |
| Wilfred Jasmine..... | 2.00 |
| Patrick Moriarty Jr.... | 2.00 |
| Andrew Magin..... | 2.00 |
| Eugene Metelli..... | 2.00 |
| Joshua De Forge..... | 2.00 |
| Herman Letellier..... | 2.00 |
| Mrs. Abraham Jerome... | 16.29 |

1899.

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| Mrs. Abraham Jerome... | 12.10 |
| Arthur Perkins..... | 7.60 |

MONROE HAYWARD, Collector.

1898.

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|------------------------|--------|
| Walter Fitzgerald..... | \$2.00 |
| Edward Girard..... | 2.00 |
| Herrick Gero..... | 2.00 |
| Henry Johnson..... | 2.00 |
| Fred Levee..... | 2.00 |
| Frank A. Pomeroy..... | 2.00 |
| George E. Rice..... | 2.00 |

1899.

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| Andrew Erlaus..... | .30 |
| George Naughton..... | .46 |

DANIEL W. CORWIN, Collector.

1898.

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| Ernest F. Brown..... | 4.07 |
| Marshall Moulton... .. | 2.00 |
| Peter Voudrien..... | 2.83 |
| H. L. Harrington..... | 2.00 |
| John J. Sullivan..... | 2.00 |
| C. H. B. Flower..... | 2.00 |

JOHN H. REED,
HENRY E. BODURTHA,
R. MATHER TAYLOR,

Assessors.

Agawam, March 9, 1900.

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

Outside Relief.

| | |
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| Northampton Lunatic Hospital :— | |
| Care of James D. Johnson..... | \$169.46 |
| Care of Catherine Flynn..... | 169.46 |
| Worcester Lunatic Hospital :— | |
| Care of William Deslories..... | 62.28 |
| Massachusetts Hospital for Epileptics :— | |
| Care of Catherine Brady..... | 169.46 |
| Commonwealth of Massachusetts :— | |
| Care of Francis Fowler..... | 6.00 |
| Care of Mary Shea..... | 108.18 |
| Aid to Mrs. Michael Finnegan, one child... | 39.00 |
| Aid to David Mahoney, wife..... | 60.00 |
| C. D. Farnsworth, coal for Mahoney..... | 6.00 |
| Aid to Mrs. Willette, five children..... | 84.00 |
| C. W. Hull Jr., wood for Mrs. Willette..... | 3.50 |
| C. D. Farnsworth, coal for Mrs. Willette... | 12.00 |
| E. S. Gauthier, rent for Mrs. Willette..... | 60.00 |
| J. W. Hastings, medical aid to Mrs. Willette. | 24.25 |
| Aid to Mrs. La Fond, three children..... | 72.00 |
| Cornelius Crowley, rent for Mrs. La Fond.. | 78.00 |
| J. W. Hastings, medical aid for Mrs. La Fond | 2.50 |
| C. E. Smith, supplies for Mrs. Quirk, three children..... | 79.50 |
| Town of West Springfield, aid to Mrs. Gervais | 3 25 |
| King Bros., supplies for Mrs. Gervais..... | 42.50 |
| Town of West Springfield, aid to Julia Murphy | 7.00 |

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| C. E. Smith, supplies for Julia Murphy..... | \$1.50 |
| C. D. Farnsworth, coal for Julia Murphy.... | 3.00 |
| W. F. Cook, coal for Julia Murphy..... | 5.25 |
| W. M. Williams, supporter for Julia Murphy. | 3.00 |
| J. W. Hastings, medical aid to Julia Murphy | 18.75 |
| W. F. Cook, coal for Timothy Devine, wife. | 9.50 |
| Smith Bros., supplies for Devine..... | 2 50 |
| J. W. Hastings, medical aid for Devine.... | 1.25 |
| Broadhurst Bros., shoes for Alex. Menard.. | 2.50 |
| Town of Dalton, aid for James Weatherbee. | 73.00 |
| C. W. Hastings, aid for Henry Burke..... | 35.98 |
| J. W. Hastings, medical aid for Geneva Brooks | 7.50 |
| J. W. Hastings, medical aid for W. C. Button | 3.25 |
| King Bros., supplies for E. Crossman, four children..... | 3.00 |
| C. E. Smith, supplies for Crossman..... | 12.96 |
| Broadhurst Bros., shoes for Crossman..... | 3.00 |
| W. W. Loomis, medical aid for Crossman... | 5.00 |
| H. E. Bodurtha, aid for Crossman..... | 4.50 |
| D. C. Armstrong, rent for Crossman..... | 25.00 |
| Mrs. M. J. Smith, nursing for Crossman.... | 6.00 |
| W. F. Cook, coal for Mrs. James Menard, eight children..... | 3.25 |
| H. A. Downey, medical aid for Mrs. Menard | 5.00 |
| C. E. Smith, supplies for Mrs. Menard..... | 3.80 |
| W. C. Campbell, care of tramps..... | 5.75 |
| F. A. Scott, care of tramps..... | 5.00 |
| | \$1,507.58 |

Persons belonging upon the State of Massachusetts have been aided as follows :

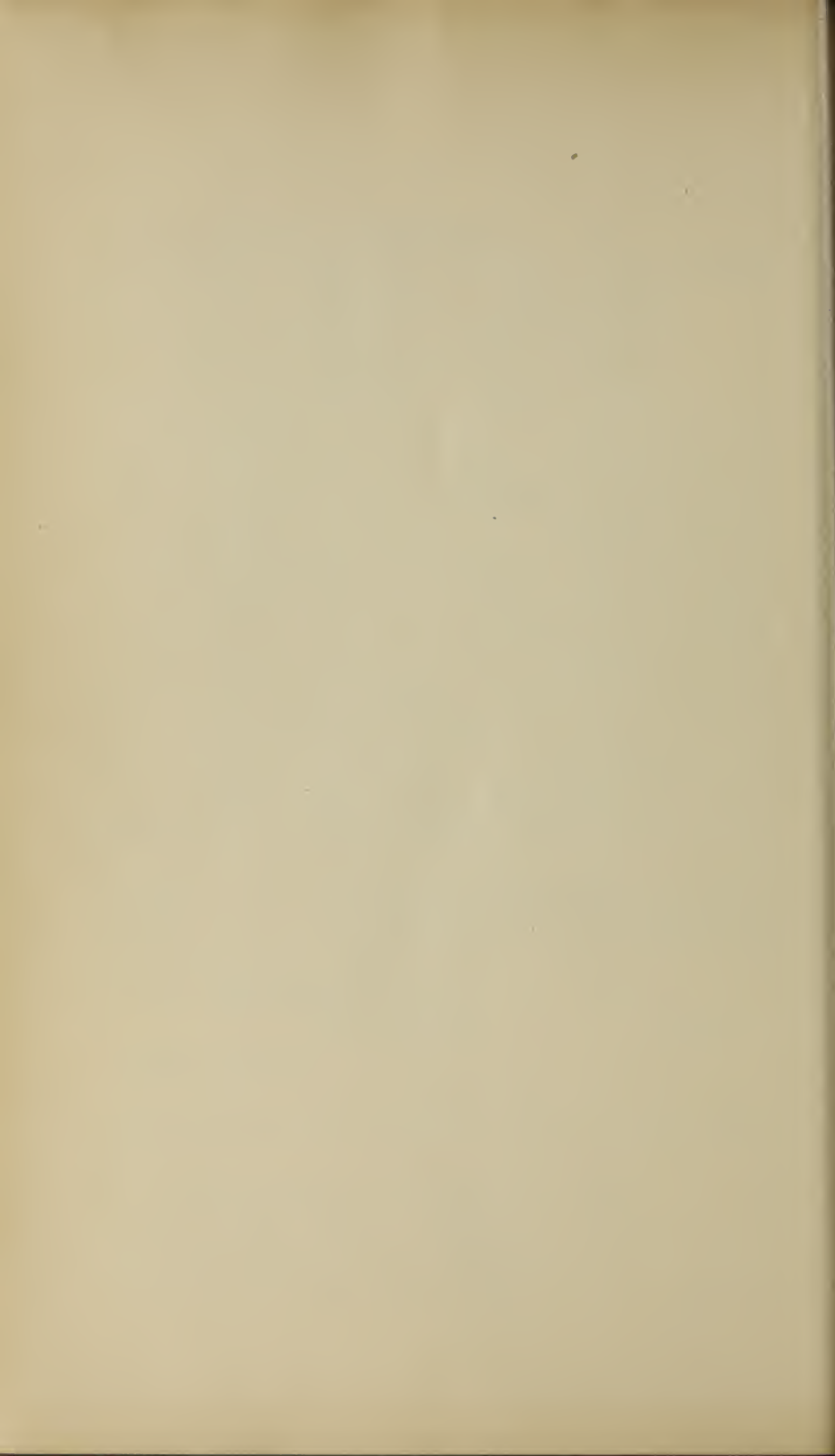
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| C. W. Hastings, supplies for Oliver Voudrien | \$2.45 |
| C. E. Smith, supplies for Oliver Voudrien.. | 5.05 |
| C. W. Hastings, supplies for Peter Voudrien | 1.50 |
| J. W. Hastings, medical aid for Peter Voudrien | 3.75— \$12.75 |

Almshouse.

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| Inmates, William R. Dewey..... | 52 weeks | |
| Ellen McDonnell..... | 52 weeks | |
| William Deslories..... | 47 weeks | |
| John Burns..... | 33 weeks | |
| Bridget Donahue..... | 10½ weeks | |
| M. B. Parks, salary as Master..... | | \$275.00 |
| M. B. Parks, supplies..... | | 11.39 |
| E. A. Kellogg & Sons, supplies..... | | 182.43 |
| Alfred Bruffee, supplies..... | | 87.23 |
| J. W. Hamilton, meat..... | | 91.83 |
| H. J. Cordes, wood..... | | 2.00 |
| Taylor Bros., wood..... | | 4.00 |
| Haynes & Co., clothing..... | | 2.10 |
| G. E. Howe, potatoes..... | | 6.40 |
| F. M. Loomis, fertilizer..... | | 22.65 |
| B. L. Bragg Co., supplies..... | | 1.50 |
| R. W. Rice, coal..... | | 22 73 |
| C. D. Farnsworth, coal..... | | 37.05 |
| C. W. Twist, blacksmithing..... | | 5.75 |
| E. M. Pomeroy, supplies..... | | 1.50— \$753.56 |
| Total for care of poor..... | | 2,273.89 |
| Less receipts and amount to be reimbursed. | | 2,117.28 |
| Appropriation..... | | 2,300.00 |

R. MATHER TAYLOR,
HENRY E. BODURTHA,
JOHN H. REED,

Overseers of Poor.



REPORT OF SELECTMEN.

Highway and Bridge Department.

Miscellaneous.

| | |
|---|---------|
| C. C. Lewis & Co., scraper blade..... | \$3.77 |
| H. Foot & Co., supplies..... | 13.41 |
| City of Springfield, repairs on S. E. Bridge..... | 6.34 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$23.52 |

Agawam.

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|------------------------------|--------|
| S. F. Sikes, tile..... | \$4.00 |
| William Cook, labor..... | 29.35 |
| Joseph Work, labor..... | 14.10 |
| Julia Flower, gravel..... | 1.28 |
| George Covill, labor..... | 30.40 |
| P. O'Riley, labor..... | 49.30 |
| Thomas Sullivan, labor..... | 13.65 |
| Patrick Flynn, labor..... | 9.15 |
| Richard Wilson, labor..... | 7.50 |
| James Greene, labor..... | 22.25 |
| John Greene, labor..... | 14.63 |
| William J. Edgar, labor..... | 14.10 |
| F. H. King, lumber..... | 31.02 |
| H. W. Cook, labor..... | 16.65 |

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| A. S. King, posts..... | \$9.00 |
| E. L. Thompson, labor..... | 10.68 |
| John Fitzgerald, labor..... | 9.15 |
| John M. Sullivan, labor..... | 13.65 |
| John Buckley, labor..... | 10.65 |
| M. Fitzgerald, labor..... | 13.60 |
| W. C. Campbell, surveyor..... | 84.50 |
| James G. Bigelow, labor..... | 18 40 |
| C. L. Campbell, labor and gravel..... | 11.00 |
| John Oldroyd, labor..... | 27 75 |
| L. H. Nason, labor..... | 20.60 |
| S. S. Bodurtha, railing..... | 4.30 |
| C. P. Wilson, labor..... | 3.85 |
| Peter Campbell, labor..... | 1.00 |
| John Dean, labor..... | 4 50 |
| J. R. Bodurtha, labor..... | 6.75 |
| E. J. Bitgood, labor..... | 4.50 |
| William Worthington, labor..... | 14.25 |
| John Ahl, labor..... | 15.08 |
| H. Stockwell, railing and gravel..... | 6.28 |
| W. H. Porter, labor..... | 28.00 |
| Monroe Hayward, labor..... | 32.40 |
| F. A. F. Adams, gravel..... | 6.88 |
| Thomas Riley, labor..... | 15.60 |
| H. C. Puffer & Co, cement..... | 2 60 |
| George Naughton, labor..... | 1.65 |
| G. H. Reed, labor..... | 4.00 |
| J. G. Burt, labor..... | 13.80 |
| H. C. Earle, painting sign..... | 2 50 |
| F. P. Covill, labor..... | 17.25 |
| A. J. Todd, labor..... | 3.00 |
| C. W. Hastings, supplies..... | 6.68 |
| M. L. Ahl, labor and sand..... | 12.60 |
| L. R. Button, labor and gravel..... | 26.40 |
| Ignacy Statkonn, labor..... | 1.50 |
| W. A. Brown, setting stones..... | 5.75 |
| L. S. Wood, pipe..... | 17.39 |

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| James Mumford, labor..... | \$1.50 |
| Joseph King, repairing tools..... | .35 |
| Gustave Brandt, sand..... | 10.50 |
| S. N. Bennett, labor..... | 4.50 |
| O. A. Cushman, labor..... | 11.00 |
| W. B. Rice, labor..... | 8.00 |
| A. E. Worthington, labor..... | 11.83 |
| H. L. Cooper, labor..... | 6.60 |
| T. A. Fitzgerald, labor..... | .75 |
| C. R. Miller, labor..... | 1.20 |
| J. M. Ely, labor..... | 2.25 |
| C. W. Hull Jr., labor..... | 7.30 |
| Sumner Schwartz, labor..... | 1.50 |
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| | \$812.15 |

Feeding Hills.

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| D. L. White, surveyor..... | \$179.59 |
| E. M. Wright, labor..... | 85.45 |
| E. L. Johnson, labor and lumber..... | 8.87 |
| W. H. White, labor..... | 17.63 |
| John Sullivan, gravel..... | 2.00 |
| John McCarthy, labor..... | 7.28 |
| James McCarthy, labor..... | 8.10 |
| Theodore A. Brown, labor..... | 18.07 |
| Peter Vodrine, labor..... | 2.70 |
| John A. Warner, labor..... | 19.40 |
| E. A. Belden, labor..... | 11.40 |
| A. Boulley, labor..... | 4.50 |
| Henry Smith, labor..... | 5.25 |
| F. A. Scott, labor..... | 4.50 |
| E. A. Kellogg, labor and supplies..... | 18.80 |
| John Miner, labor..... | 8.02 |
| Francis O'Brien, labor..... | 20.33 |
| John C. Healey, labor..... | 16.28 |
| W. E. Cooley, labor..... | 14.78 |

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| D. W. Corwin, labor, | \$25.40 |
| H. F. Flower, labor and gravel, | 34.16 |
| Alonzo St. John, labor, | 3.00 |
| G. L. White, labor, | 12.85 |
| A. J. Slater, repairs on tools, | 2.95 |
| L. S. Wood, pipe, | 26.00 |
| J. F. Barry, lumber, | 14.36 |
| John Glenn, labor, | 4.00 |
| Taylor Bros., labor, | 16.08 |
| Charles Fish, labor, | 1.05 |
| James Kerr, labor, | 5.15 |
| Dexter Steere, labor, | 1.10 |
| E. E. McIntire, labor, | 1.40 |
| J. J. Carroll, labor, | 4.40 |
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| | \$604 85 |

Mittineague.

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| E. M. Wright, labor, | \$8.00 |
| D. L. White, labor, | 22.40 |
| John Buckley, labor, | 9.00 |
| Thomas Sullivan, labor, | 2.25 |
| Cornelius Donovan, labor, | 29.40 |
| H. P. Worden, labor and gravel, | 71.70 |
| Michael Fitzgerald, labor, | 4.50 |
| D. J. Collins, surveyor, | 78.00 |
| Daniel Murphy, labor, | 32.40 |
| James Collins, labor, | 68.78 |
| Patrick Murphy, labor, | 43.35 |
| G. D. Cooley, labor, | 101.20 |
| T. J. O'Brien, labor, | 22.40 |
| Patrick Crowley, labor, | 24.00 |
| M. A. Maynard, pipe, | 10.86 |
| J. F. Buckley, labor, | 6.00 |
| John O'Connell, labor, | 5.25 |
| J. Birnie, labor, | .75 |

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| Cyril Perusse, labor, | \$6.90 |
| N. Addisoni, labor, | 4.00 |
| Dennis Crowley, labor, | 6.00 |
| J. S. Noble, cement, | 1.30 |
| J. M. Sullivan, labor, | 6.00 |
| Hampden Brick Works, brick, | 2.25 |
| L. S. Wood, pipe, | 18.42 |
| H. W. Austin, sand, | 1.80 |
| J. King, repairs on tools, | 1.75 |
| H. F. Davitt, grates, | 5.40 |
| A. Roberts, Plank, | 2.00 |
| John O'Brien, labor, | 2.25 |
| F. L. Dugan, labor, | .75 |
| John Leary, labor, | 3.00 |
| M. Cockery, labor, | 1.50 |
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| | \$603.56 |

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| Total, | \$2,044.08 |
| Appropriation, | 2,000.00 |

Special Work.

Agawam.

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| W. C. Campbell, surveyor, | \$26.50 |
| R. J. Smith, labor, | 8.00 |
| F. E. Campbell, labor and stone, | 15.15 |
| G. H. Reed, labor, | 4.00 |
| A. J. Todd, labor, | 30.80 |
| M. Ahl, labor, | 10.60 |
| H. W. Austin, labor, | 5.85 |

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| C. W. Hull, labor,..... | \$17.90 |
| S. N. Bennett, labor,..... | 16.40 |
| W. B. Rice, labor,..... | 22.00 |
| W. H. Harmon, labor,..... | 10.00 |
| F. P. Covill, labor,..... | 4.50 |
| Sackett Bros., mason work,..... | 9.40 |
| H. T. Davitt, grates, | 3.40 |
| H. P. Worden, gravel and labor, | 40.77 |
| M. A. Maynard, pipe,..... | 40.25 |
| F. A. Le Count, sand,..... | 7.20 |
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| | \$272.72 |
| Balance of appropriation 1898,..... | 579.21 |

Agawam Bridge.

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| Pittsburg Bridge Co., on contract,..... | \$3,472.32 |
| Pittsburg Bridge Co., repairing wing wall,..... | 70.00 |
| John O'Connell, services as watchman,..... | 268.50 |
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| | \$3,810.82 |
| Appropriation for special highway,..... | \$1,500.00 |
| Appropriation for repairs on wing wall,..... | 100.00 |
| Borrowed on demand note,..... | 1,000.00 |
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| | \$2,600.00 |

Town Officers.

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| Scott Adams, moderator, | \$5.00 |
| J. G. Freeland, auditor, | 5.00 |
| F. A. Sykes, auditor, | 5 00 |
| E. E. McIntire, election officer, | 5 00 |
| B. H. Whitman, election officer, | 2.50 |
| J. F. Barry, election officer, | 2.50 |
| A. E. Worthington, election officer, | 2.50 |
| J. R. Bodurtha, election officer, | 2.50 |
| Ralph Perry, election officer, | 2.50 |
| J. G. Freeland, election officer, | 2.50 |
| G. H. Reed, election officer, | 2.50 |
| F. L. Johnson, election officer, | 2.50 |
| J. B. Warren, election officer, | 2.50 |
| Edward Gosselin, election officer, | 2.50 |
| D. J. Collins, election officer, | 2.50 |
| Daniel Murphy, election officer, | 2.50 |
| Woodman Pillsbury, election officer, | 2.50 |
| John O'Connell, election officer, | 2 50 |
| C. A. Devenew, election officer, | 2.50 |
| William Savin, election officer, | 2.50 |
| G. D. Fisk, registrar, | 10.00 |
| H. A. Huntington, registrar, | 10.00 |
| Scott Adams, registrar, | 10.00 |
| P. T. Donovan, registrar, | 10.00 |
| E. A. Kellogg, registrar, | 20.00 |
| J. W. Hastings, registrar, | 25.00 |
| J. M. Bean, police officer, | 290.00 |
| W. C. Campbell, constable, | 4.00 |
| M. Hayward, constable, | 2.00 |
| R. O. Harper, school committee, | 35.00 |
| Edwin Leonard, school committee, | 10.25 |
| W. H. Granger, school committee, | 30.00 |
| C. P. Davis, school committee, | 52.00 |

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| J. W. Hastings, clerk and treasurer, . . . | \$175.00 |
| H. E. Bodurtha, selectman, etc., . . . | 164.35 |
| R. M. Taylor, selectman, etc., . . . | 142.85 |
| J. H. Reed, selectman, etc., . . . | 159.35 |
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| | \$1,209.80 |

Contingent.

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| Griffith, Axtell & Cady Co., printing, . . . | \$86.30 |
| Hubbard & Tabor Co., printing, . . . | 9.75 |
| Springfield Printing and Binding Co., printing, . . . | 25.75 |
| Colby Manufacturing Co., printing, . . . | 2.60 |
| Edwin Leonard, inspector of animals, . . . | 48.36 |
| Elijah D. Allen, slaughter house inspector, . . . | 78.00 |
| R. H. Smith Co., seal and stamp, . . . | 8.50 |
| C. E. Society, suppers for tellers, . . . | 2.00 |
| A. K. Fuller, dinners for election officers, . . . | 1.75 |
| H. E. Bodurtha, filing highway petition, . . . | 3.00 |
| W. B. Rice, team, . . . | 1.00 |
| W. F. Cook, teams, . . . | 7.50 |
| R. M. Taylor, expenses, . . . | 9.00 |
| E. M. Hitchcock, fire warden, . . . | 2.55 |
| W. J. Warriner, fire warden, . . . | 3.50 |
| W. A. Brown, engineering, . . . | 5.00 |
| H. R. Johnson, assessors' books, . . . | 12.20 |
| John Glenn, mowing cemetery lot, . . . | 1.00 |
| R. S. Robeson, repairing ballot boxes, . . . | 9.00 |
| J. V. Wolcott, crating ballot boxes, . . . | 1.50 |
| H. E. Bodurtha, copying valuation book, . . . | 7.50 |
| Jennie S. Wright, copying, . . . | 2.00 |
| J. M. Bean, lockup fees, . . . | 4.00 |
| E. E. McIntire, police court fees, . . . | 3.84 |

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| E. E. McIntire, serving dog warrant, . . . | \$5.50 |
| H. W. Bullock, police court fees, . . . | 18.22 |
| Carter Ink Co., ink, . . . | 1.25 |
| H. E. Bodurtha, expenses, . . . | 5.40 |
| Henry Shaw, copy settlement laws, . . . | 2.00 |
| T. B. Hatheway, damages, . . . | 15.00 |
| John Reilly, repairs on river bank, . . . | 21.00 |
| J. H. Clark, repairs on river bank, . . . | 9.50 |
| W. C. Campbell, repairs on river bank, . . . | 10.50 |
| C. L. Goodhue, water rent, . . . | 50.00 |
| E. A. Kellogg, water rent, . . . | 50.00 |
| W. C. Campbell, police court fees, . . . | 3.38 |
| E. D. Allen, police court fees, . . . | 3.07 |
| J. G. Freeland, justice fees, . . . | 3.00 |
| C. W. Hastings, supplies and express, . . . | 14.64 |
| J. W. Hastings, postage and express, . . . | 7.69 |
| J. H. Reed, expenses Board of Health, . . . | 3.80 |
| A. K. Fuller, services on highway location, . . . | 10.00 |
| H. E. Bodurtha, stove, . . . | 2.00 |
| C. W. Hastings, insurance, . . . | 210.00 |
| D. A. Toomey, return of deaths, . . . | 3.75 |
| N. L. Byron, return of deaths, . . . | 3.50 |
| Dr. H. A. Downey, return of births, . . . | 3.75 |
| Dr. C. J. Downey, return of births, . . . | 2.50 |
| Dr J. W. Hastings, return of births, . . . | 4.75 |
| J. W. Hastings, recording births, marriages and deaths, . . . | 56.40 |

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| Appropriation, | \$800.00 |
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Memorial Day.

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| E. L. Covill, cash paid, | . | . | . | . | \$17.50 |
| A. P. Loomis, cash paid, | . | . | . | . | 17.50 |
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| | | | | | \$35.00 |
| Appropriation, | . | . | . | . | 35.00 |

State and Military Aid.

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| William Hitchcock, Chap. 374, Acts of 1899, | . | . | \$48.00 |
| Marcia Stevens, " 374, " 1899, | . | . | 48.00 |
| Mary E. Howes, " 374, " 1899, | . | . | 48.00 |
| Hubert P. Osborne, " 374, " 1899, | . | . | 48.00 |
| David Woodworth, " 372, " 1899, | . | . | 144.00 |
| Emma C. Brown, " 447, " 1890, | . | . | 45.00 |
| W. C. Button, " 447, " 1890, | . | . | 52.00 |
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| | | | \$433.00 |
| Appropriation, | . | . | 300.00 |

Water Supply.

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|---|---|---|---|---|----------|
| Oliver & Howland Co., labor and material, | . | . | . | . | \$113.56 |
| E. K. Bodurtha, labor and material, | . | . | . | . | 4.60 |
| W. C. Campbell, labor, | . | . | . | . | 6.00 |
| E. J. Bitgood, labor, | . | . | . | . | 6.00 |
| L. A. Barden, labor, | . | . | . | . | 1.50 |
| Standard Brick Co., brick, | . | . | . | . | 5.24 |
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| | | | | | \$136.90 |
| Appropriation, | . | . | . | . | 75.00 |

Sidewalks.

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| D. J. Collins, labor, | . | . | . | . | \$5.00 |
| D. L. White, labor, | . | . | . | . | 8.00 |
| Michael Fitzgerald, labor, | . | . | . | . | 4.50 |
| Cornelius Crowley, labor, | . | . | . | . | 1.50 |
| G. D. Cooley, labor and gravel, | . | . | . | . | 29.40 |
| H. P. Worden, labor and gravel, | . | . | . | . | 16.00 |
| Patrick Murphy, labor, | . | . | . | . | 3.00 |
| John Buckley, labor, | . | . | . | . | 4.50 |
| John Leary, labor, | . | . | . | . | 1.50 |
| John Fitzgerald, labor, | . | . | . | . | .75 |
| Milton Phillips, labor, | . | . | . | . | 8.00 |
| Daniel Murphy, labor, | . | . | . | . | 6.00 |
| James Collins, labor, | . | . | . | . | 3.00 |
| E. M. Wright, labor, | . | . | . | . | 8.00 |
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| | | | | | \$99.15 |
| Appropriation, | . | . | . | . | 100.00 |

Street Lights.

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| Michael Moran, lighting, | . | . | . | . | \$30.00 |
| Edgar Daniels, lighting, | . | . | . | . | 9 00 |
| Patrick Murphy, lighting, | . | . | . | . | 28.00 |
| G. D. Cooley, lighting, | . | . | . | . | 14.00 |
| Jerry Fitzgerald, lighting, | . | . | . | . | 6.00 |
| Patrick Murphy, repairs on lamps, | . | . | . | . | 5.00 |
| Patrick Flynn, repairs on lamps, | . | . | . | . | 1.00 |
| J. B. Warren, lamps and posts, | . | . | . | . | 40.50 |
| H. Letellier, supplies, | . | . | . | . | 13.71 |
| C. E. Smith, supplies, | . | . | . | . | 21.10 |
| E. A. Kellogg & Sons, | . | . | . | . | 4.73 |
| P. W. Hastings, lighting, | . | . | . | . | 8.51 |
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| | | | | | \$181.55 |
| Appropriation, | | | | | 125 00 |

Care of Town Halls.

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| W. C. Campbell, janitor, | . | . | . | . | \$38.25 |
| F. A. Scott, janitor, | . | . | . | . | 38.30 |
| C. W. Hastings, supplies, | . | . | . | . | 5.83 |
| E. A. Kellogg & Sons, supplies, | . | . | . | . | 4.12 |
| Alfred Bruffee, supplies, | . | . | . | . | 4 35 |
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| | | | | | \$90.85 |
| Appropriation | | | | | 50.00 |
| Received from rent of Halls, | | | | | 58.75 |
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| | | | | | \$108.75 |

Repairs.

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| George W. Taylor, keys, | . | . | . | . | \$.75 |
| G. E. Coville, labor, | . | . | . | . | 2.50 |
| W. B. Rice, labor, | . | . | . | . | 4.00 |
| F. E. Campbell, labor, | . | . | . | . | 4 00 |
| Bodurtha & Hitchcock, labor and lumber, | . | . | . | . | 33.18 |
| E. M. Wright, labor, | . | . | . | . | 3.00 |
| John C. Healey, labor, | . | . | . | . | 1.50 |
| Springfield Lumber Co., | . | . | . | . | 28.39 |
| James Greene, labor, | . | . | . | . | 7.98 |
| J. V. Wolcott, labor and material, | . | . | . | . | 6.25 |
| Ethan D. Allan, labor, | . | . | . | . | 16.50 |
| H. C. Earle, painting, | . | . | . | . | 3.00 |
| Taylor Bros., posts, | . | . | . | . | 2.25 |
| T. M. Walker, glass, | . | . | . | . | .60 |
| H. Foot & Co., locks, | . | . | . | . | .60 |
| Jewett Wright, labor, | . | . | . | . | 3.10 |
| Geo. E. Arnold, painting, | . | . | . | . | 5.40 |
| W. C. Campbell, labor, | . | . | . | . | 2.90 |
| Whitcomb Stove Co., stove and repairs, | . | . | . | . | 40.72 |
| E. A Kellogg & Sons, supplies, | . | . | . | . | 2.98 |
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| | | | | | \$169.60 |
| Appropriation, | . | . | . | . | 200.00 |

Interest.

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| Spencer Savings Bank, | \$200.00 |
| Chicopee Savings Bank, | 200.00 |
| Plymouth Savings Bank, | 200.00 |
| Leicester Savings Bank, | 400.00 |
| Springfield Institution for Savings, | 510.88 |
| Desire A. Pyne, | 120.00 |
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| | \$1,630.88 |
| Appropriation, | 1,600.00 |

Town Debt.

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| W. H. Granger, treas. Sinking Fund Commissioners, . | \$1,000.00 |
| Springfield Institution for Savings, | 800.00 |
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| | \$1,800.00 |
| Appropriation, | 1,000.00 |

Liabilities of the Town.

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| One note D. A. Pyne, on demand, 6 per cent, | \$2,000.00 |
| Five notes payable at National Bank of the Commonwealth, June 1, 1914, 4 per cent, | 25,000.00 |
| One note of Springfield Institution for Savings, payable June 1, 1900, 4 per cent, | 1,000.00 |
| One note of Springfield Institution for Savings, payable June 1, 1901, 4 per cent, | 1,000.00 |

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| One note of Springfield Institution for Savings, payable | |
| June 1, 1902, 4 per cent, | \$1,000.00 |
| One note of Springfield Institution for Savings, payable | |
| June 1, 1903, 4 per cent, | 1,000.00 |
| One note of Springfield Institution for Savings, payable | |
| June 1, 1904, 4 per cent, | 1,000.00 |
| One note of Springfield Institution for Savings, payable | |
| June 1, 1905, 4 per cent, | 5,000.00 |
| One note of Springfield Institution for Savings, payable | |
| June 1, 1909, 4 per cent, | 1,000.00 |
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| | \$38,000.00 |

Available Assets, March 9, 1900.

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| Cash in Treasury, | \$971.65 |
| Due from M. Hayward, collector, 1898, | 200.63 |
| M. Hayward, collector, 1899, | 1,056.26 |
| D. W. Corwin, collector, 1898, | 330.18 |
| D. W. Corwin, collector, 1899, | 1,428.69 |
| F. L. Dugan, collector, 1898, | 76.28 |
| F. L. Dugan, collector, 1899, | 787.68 |
| State, care of poor, | 12.75 |
| State, state aid, | 330.00 |
| Sewer assessments, | 411.00 |
| Cornelius Crowley, on note, | 800.00 |
| Sinking Fund, | 6,034.10 |
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| | \$12,439.22 |

Excess of liabilities over assets, 25,560.78

HENRY E. BODURTHA,
R. MATHER TAYLOR,
JOHN H. REED,

Selectmen.

Agawam, March 9, 1900.

Report of Sinking Fund Commissioners.

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| Amount deposited in Springfield Institution for Savings, | \$1,044.08 |
| Amount deposited in Springfield Five Cents Savings Bank, | 975.08 |
| Amount deposited in Pyncheon National Bank, | 4,014.94 |
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| | \$6,034.10 |

WM. H. GRANGER,
Treasurer.

Whiting Street Fund.

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| Balance on hand March 13, 1899, | \$257.00 |
| Income from the fund, | 210.00 |
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| | \$467.00 |

Eight persons have been aided from this fund to the
amount of 155.00

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| Balance on hand, March 12, 1900, | \$312.00 |
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We have examined the accounts of the Treasurer and Trustees
and find them correct with proper vouchers.

FRED A. WORTHINGTON,
JOHN G. FREELAND,
Auditors.

Agawam, March 13, 1900.

Mary A. Phelon School Fund.

JUDSON W. HASTINGS, Trustee.

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| To amount of legacy, | \$4,017.21 |
| To amount of income unexpended March 10, 1899, | 121.10 |
| To amount received from interest, | 176.19 |
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| | \$4,314.50 |

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| By amount paid for books and expressage, | \$42.59 |
| By amount of legacy, | 4,017.21 |
| By amount of unexpended income, | 254.70 |
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| | \$4,314.50 |

We have examined the accounts of Trustee and find them correct with proper vouchers.

FRED A. WORTHINGTON,
JOHN G. FREELAND,

Auditors..

Agawam, March 13, 1900.

Report of Library Trustees.

The number of borrowers from the Feeding Hills Library has, without apparent reason, fallen below that of last year. At Agawam it has increased encouragingly but is still unsatisfactory.

The library is not appreciated nor patronized by the people of the town as it ought to be. Especially, should the parents and guardians of the children make themselves acquainted with the books, so that they can intelligently direct their children's reading. With the aid of so many historical stories, as are being added to the library, it seems as if the parents by intelligent suggestion might form in their children a love for books in history, biography, and travel—in these books our library is wanting. The reason is, there is no demand for them.

We would again call the attention to the crowded condition of the room at Agawam, hoping some fertile brain may evolve a way of relief.

The Trustees will gladly receive facts relating to the early history of this town, and strongly urge those having such data to make them known to them that they may be put on record for the use of some future historian and those interested in the history of the town.

Amount Expended.

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| H. R. Johnson, books, | . | . | . | . | \$138.35 |
| Mrs. C. S. Hayward, books, | . | . | . | . | 11.00 |
| Forbes & Wallace, books, | . | . | . | . | 15.64 |
| S. Newell Smith, librarian, | . | . | . | . | 25.00 |
| Emma F. Pyne, librarian, | . | . | . | . | 25.00 |
| Julia E. Tower, librarian, | . | . | . | . | 25.00 |
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| | | | | | \$239.99 |

Money Available.

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| Amount in treasury, | \$166.19 |
| Amount, dog fund, | 283.69 |
| Amount, Phelon fund, | 20.20 |
| Appropriation, | 75.00 |
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| | \$545.08 |
| Amount in treasury March 9, 1900, | 305.09 |

Books.

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|------------------------------------|-------|
| Number in Agawam, | 844 |
| Number in Feeding Hills, | 1,101 |
| Number in Mittineague, | 443 |
| Worn out, | 9 |

Borrowers.

| | |
|--------------------------|-----|
| Agawam, | 201 |
| Feeding Hills, | 135 |
| Mittineague, | 85 |

Circulation.

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|--------------------------|-------|
| Agawam, | 2,464 |
| Feeding Hills, | 1,747 |
| Mittineague, | 468 |

Librarians.

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| Agawam, | Emma F. Pyne |
| Feeding Hills, | S. Newell Smith |
| Mittineague, | Julia E. Tower |

Respectfully submitted,

S. NEWELL SMITH,
HENRY L. TOWER,
RALPH PERRY,

Trustees.



SCHOOL REPORTS.



REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

To the Voters of the Town of Agawam :—

The School Committee herewith submit their annual report.

The financial statement elsewhere printed will show the expenditures for the year, and the Superintendent's report gives the details of school attendance, enrollment, etc.

Vacancy.

Mr. Robert O. Harper, of Mittineague, a member of this committee, removed from town during the latter part of the school year. His term had so nearly expired that no steps were taken to fill the vacancy; hence your committee consists of but two members. The Mittineague schools have not been neglected, however, but have been an object of especial care, and we believe they have suffered no deterioration.

Needed Improvements.

It is probable that the expenditures for the coming school year will necessarily be greater than for the year just past. When the new building at Mittineague was erected, motives of economy led the town to vote in favor of using the furniture taken from the old building. This was a temporary expedient, adopted because the cost of the building fell very heavily upon the taxpayers that year. This old furniture has been used ever since. One room has never been furnished, and has remained unused. The increase in the number of pupils in this part of the town makes it probable that this room will have to be occupied next fall, and if occupied, of

course it must be furnished. This will also necessitate the employment of another teacher, and some increase in the expenditure for fuel, books and supplies, amounting in all to at least \$400. In other parts of the town, also, the discarding of the old double desks in the interest of health, morals and discipline is a needed work of improvement. Your committee earnestly desire that sufficient funds may be appropriated to refurnish at least one or two rooms each year until the work is finished.

Nearly all the schools need to be thoroughly cleaned and brightened by painting, varnishing and kalsomining. This is especially true of the Feeding Hills schools. Cheerful schoolrooms help to make cheerful teachers and pupils.

The out-buildings at the Centre schools are inconvenient and unsanitary, and the girls' building is not properly separated from the boys'. The needed changes here are liable at any time to be peremptorily ordered by the state authorities, and we hope the town will provide for them without such order. Great improvement in this respect has been made at the South school.

Water.

An abundant supply of pure water at each school is a necessity. The town adopted our recommendation of last year, and put the Goodhue water in the South school and in all the Centre schools. A well was driven at the West Street school, and good water obtained. The town certainly made no mistake in doing this good work. But the need of a water supply is quite as urgent at the Mittineague schools. At present about 175 children have no other supply than is furnished by one small pump located in the building. The water is insufficient in quantity, unpleasant in taste, and possibly injurious to health. We understand that arrangements can be made on favorable terms to put running water in the building and we recommend that the town take action in the matter.

Transportation.

In accordance with the vote at the last town meeting, your committee began this year the interesting experiment of transporting

some of the pupils living remote from school. Mild weather in the early winter enabled us to defer the experiment until about January 1st, at some saving of money. The cost, as shown by the financial report, has been less than was anticipated. In Agawam, the experiment, we think, has been entirely successful. The children have been transported in a closely-covered wagon, well protected from wind and storm. The wagon, a second-hand one, was purchased at a cost of \$40, and necessary repairs brought the cost to about \$65. From 30 to 35 children are taken to and from school in this wagon, at a cost of less than five cents per day for each child, or something over two cents each way. The children heartily enjoy the ride, even in the coldest weather, and there has been a marked improvement in their attendance. For the success of the transportation experiment much depends upon having the right kind of vehicle. If the town is to adopt transportation as a permanent policy, we think it will pay to purchase more wagons of the right kind, for there are none available in town. Our wagon, with its gradually increasing load of merry children, follows the River road from the south end to the bridge, thence westerly to the main road, thence southerly to the school buildings. In the afternoon it follows the same route reversed, leaving the school soon after 4 p. m., making a total daily travel of not far from 15 miles. If the voters see fit to continue the experiment, we think the people of other remote parts of the town should have equal accommodation. At Feeding Hills the problem has been more difficult, owing to the great distances and scattered population, and the cost has been higher, both absolutely and relatively to the number of pupils carried.

New Heaters.

The old stoves at the West Street school, Feeding Hills, the West Street school, Agawam, and the Centre primary school, were found to be worn out and unable to heat the rooms. Your Committee purchased three large modern heaters at a total cost exceeding \$100. These have proved to be successful, and the rooms are now comfortable in cold weather.

Superintendent.

The Superintendent of Schools, Mr. Herbert E. Richardson, has resigned his position, the resignation taking effect April 1st. At the time of writing this report, his successor has not been chosen.

Attendance.

Unusual prevalence of epidemic disease has injuriously affected school attendance. In some schools more than half the children were absent at one time with measles or other disease. Aside from this unavoidable absence there was a welcome improvement in attendance, owing partly to the mild winter, partly to free transportation, and partly to the workings of the law of 1898. Yet much room remains for improvement. In many cases parents allow children to remain at home on trivial pretexts. We earnestly ask parents to co-operate with us in securing full attendance, that we may not be compelled to enforce the law in what might seem a harsh and arbitrary manner. Those who permit children to be absent unlawfully from school more than five days in any period of six months are liable to a fine of \$20, and any person who employs a child of school age at any kind of work while the public schools are in session is liable to a fine of \$50 for each offence.

Appropriations.

We recommend the following appropriations:

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| For schools, superintendent and supplies, | . \$6,500.00 |
| For high school tuition, | . . . 1,000.00 |

In addition to the above there should be an appropriation for transportation, if the town desires to continue the experiment. And we trust that the articles in the town warrant providing for better outbuildings at the Centre, a water supply at Mittineague, and new furniture where needed, will receive favorable action.

CHARLES P. DAVIS,
W. H. GRANGER,

School Committee.

Financial Statement of Schools.

High School Tuition.

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|-------------------------------------|----------|
| Town of West Springfield, | \$886.00 |
| Appropriation, | 1,000.00 |

Superintendent and Supplies.

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|---|------------|
| H. E. Richardson, Superintendent, | \$630.00 |
| H. E. Richardson, express and postage, | 8.13 |
| Educational Publishing Co., supplies, | 42.02 |
| J. & I. E. Moore, ink, | 8.51 |
| J. L. Hammett Co., supplies, | 132.49 |
| Urania G. Burrows, teaching music, | 216.66 |
| American Book Co., books, | 16.16 |
| D. C. Heath & Co., supplies, | 4.50 |
| Thompson, Brown & Co., supplies, | 9.96 |
| Houghton, Mifflin & Co., supplies, | 13.60 |
| Sterrie A. Weaver, supplies and music talk, | 8.25 |
| Ginn & Co., supplies, | 28.83 |
| Lothrop Publishing Co., supplies, | 2.40 |
| The Hanson Press, | .70 |
| City Library Association, use of library, | 5.00 |
| Cyrus W. Atwood, printing, | 8.65 |
| Boston & Albany R. R., freight, | 3.64 |
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| | \$1,139.50 |

Agawam Schools.

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| Amy W. Dinzey, teaching 1 week, | \$8.00 |
| Amy W. Dinzey, care of room, | .50 |
| Martena A. Stupplebeen, teaching 12 weeks, | 96.00 |

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| Annie R. Hunter, teaching 24 weeks, . . . | \$216.00 |
| Ernest A. Maynard, teaching 12 weeks, . . . | 141.60 |
| G. M. Hawes, teaching 1 week, . . . | 12.00 |
| Adelia L. Grisworld, teaching 36 weeks, . . . | 288.00 |
| Adelia L. Grisworld, care of room, . . . | 18.00 |
| Carrie M. Dodge, teaching 22 weeks, . . . | 206.40 |
| Carrie M. Dodge, care of room, . . . | 13.00 |
| Katherine A. Ullrich, teaching 24 weeks, . . . | 192.00 |
| John A. Tait, teaching 23 weeks, . . . | 285.00 |
| Isabel D. Hoyt, teaching 12 weeks, . . . | 108.00 |
| Louie Merriam, teaching 9 weeks, . . . | 72.00 |
| Louie Merriam, care of room, . . . | 4.50 |
| F. H. King, wood, . . . | 10.00 |
| Simpson Clark, repairing stove, . . . | 6.20 |
| L. L. Thompson, sweeping, . . . | 36.00 |
| J. J. Meyrick, repairs, . . . | 2.50 |
| John Van Slyck, cleaning, . . . | 14.00 |
| Bodurtha & Hitchcock, repairs, . . . | 12.97 |
| C. D. Farnsworth, coal, . . . | 104.50 |
| C. W. Hastings, supplies, . . . | 3.24 |
| Whitcomb Stove Co., stove and repairs, . . . | 40.90 |
| W. C. Campbell, janitor, . . . | 60.00 |
| W. C. Campbell, truant officer, . . . | 4.75 |
| W. C. Campbell, repairing stove, . . . | 2 50 |
| L. W. Dickinson, use of well, . . . | 2.00 |
| Myrtle Ewing, sweeping, . . . | 18.00 |
| Ralph Perry, stove, . . . | 37.50 |
| Leonard Clark & Son, repairing stove, . . . | 7.89 |
| W. B. Rice, team, . . . | 2.00 |
| C. P. Davis, expenses, . . . | 13.96 |
| C. P. Davis, taking school census, . . . | 5 00 |
| J. V. Wolcott, repairs, . . . | 3.80 |
| Homer Foot & Co., lock, . . . | 1.50 |
| Masten & Wells Fire Works Co., flag, . . . | 2 96 |

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Feeding Hills Schools.

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| M. Lucy Pomeroy, teaching 33 weeks, | . | . | \$264.00 |
| M. Lucy Pomeroy, care of room, | . | . | 16.50 |
| Sara M. Hollister, teaching 36 weeks, | . | . | 324.00 |
| Carolyn E. Shirley, teaching 12 weeks, | . | . | 144.00 |
| E. Gertrude Greenwood, teaching 3 weeks, | . | . | 24.00 |
| E. Gertrude Greenwood, care of room, | . | . | 1.50 |
| Adah M. Hermance, teaching 24 weeks, | . | . | 288.00 |
| F. A. Scott, janitor, | . | . | 87.25 |
| F. A. Scott, cleaning, | . | . | 5.83 |
| Edwin Leonard, repairs, | . | . | 1.37 |
| W. F. Cook, Coal, | . | . | 25 24 |
| C. D. Farnsworth, coal, | . | . | 70.63 |
| Mary A. Taylor, sweeping, | . | . | 24.00 |
| Mrs. G. H. Howland, cleaning, | . | . | 1.50 |
| Forbes & Wallace, shades, | . | . | 2.25 |
| H. O. Bliss, repairing clock, | . | . | 1.25 |
| F. S. Carr, clock, | . | . | 5.00 |
| Geo. E. Arnold, repairs, | . | . | 9.76 |
| Whitcomb Stove Co., stove, | . | . | 43.50 |
| W. H. Granger, school census, | . | . | 5.00 |
| W. H. Granger, postage and express, | . | . | 1.42 |
| F. J. Ladd, building fires, | . | . | 3.00 |
| E. A. Kellogg & Sons, supplies, | . | . | 5.50 |
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| | | | \$1,354.50 |

Mittineague Schools.

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|---|---|---|----------|
| Nellie M. Ingoldsby, teaching 36 weeks, | . | . | \$324.00 |
| Mabel L. Welcker, teaching 36 weeks, | . | . | 324.00 |
| Katherine G. Danahy, teaching 28 weeks, | . | . | 252.00 |
| Bertha L. Jones, teaching 32 weeks, | . | . | 284.40 |
| Sumner G. Poor, teaching 24 weeks, | . | . | 312.00 |
| E. S. Irwin, teaching 12 weeks, | . | . | 156.00 |
| Jennie E. Alderman, teaching 8 weeks, | . | . | 72.00 |

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| Annie E. Haley, teaching 4 weeks, | . | . | . | \$39.60 |
| J. M. Bean, janitor, | . | . | . | 180.00 |
| J. M. Bean, cleaning, | . | . | . | 15.00 |
| W. F. Cook, coal and labor, | . | . | . | 54.31 |
| C. D. Farnsworth, coal, | . | . | . | 181.31 |
| F. H. King, wood, | . | . | . | 5.00 |
| H. Letellier, supplies, | . | . | . | 2.03 |
| C. E. Smith, supplies, | . | . | . | 4.37 |
| H. D. Smith, glass, | . | . | . | .50 |
| T. M. Walker, glass, etc., | . | . | . | 20.54 |
| W. F. Cook, team, | . | . | . | 1.50 |
| Carter Electric Co., wiring rooms, | . | . | . | 7.39 |
| William Savin, cleaning, | . | . | . | 6.00 |
| G. D. Cooley, pipe and plumbing, | . | . | . | 7.34 |
| G. A. Graves & Sons, door check, | . | . | . | 5.40 |
| Mrs. James Parker, cleaning, | . | . | . | 11.00 |
| J. H. Healey, repairing pump, | . | . | . | 4.60 |
| Meekins, Packard & Wheat, dusters, | . | . | . | 1.88 |
| J. King, repairs, | . | . | . | 1.50 |
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| | | | | \$2,273.67 |

Transportation.

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|--------------------------------|---|---|---|----------|
| D. A. Reed, wagon, | . | . | . | \$40.00 |
| W. H. Smith, repairs on wagon, | . | . | . | 14.50 |
| C. C. Lewis, repairs on wagon, | . | . | . | 2.81 |
| F. S. Kent, repairs on wagon, | . | . | . | .75 |
| C. P. Davis, transporting, | . | . | . | 48.75 |
| Dennis Shea, transporting, | . | . | . | 33.00 |
| Daniel Sullivan, transporting, | . | . | . | 31.00 |
| E. L. Johnson, transporting, | . | . | . | 12.50 |
| J. F. Cleary, transporting, | . | . | . | 29.00 |
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| | | | | \$212.31 |

Amount expended, \$7,033.15

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| Amount available, appropriation, | . | . | . | \$6,500.00 |
| Income, Massachusetts School Fund, | . | . | . | 294.38 |
| Income from state for superintendent, | . | . | . | 525.00 |
| Income from state for state children, | . | . | . | 132.00 |
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| | | | | \$7,451.38 |

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

To the School Board of Agawam:

In accordance with your rules I have the honor to submit the following as my report for the year ending April 1, 1900 :

Summary of Statistics.

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| Valuation of real estate and personal property, | . \$1,347,700.00 |
| Population, | 2,480 |
| Number of polls, | 693 |
| Number of school children, | 505 |
| Number of children between 7 and 14 years of age, | 332 |
| Number of children between 5 and 15 years of age, | 439 |
| Number of children over 15 years of age, | 15 |
| Average membership, | 383 |
| Average attendance, | 348 |
| Per cent. of attendance, | 91 |
| Length of school year, | 36 weeks |
| Number of schools, | 13 |
| Number of teachers, | 13 |
| Number of different teachers during the year, | 21 |
| Highest salary paid per year, | \$468.00 |
| Lowest salary paid per year, | 288.00 |
| Average salary paid per year, | 340.61 |
| Number of tuition pupils in West Springfield high school, | 24 |
| Enrollment for year, Parochial school, Mittineague, | 51 |

The work of the schools, on the whole, has progressed well throughout the year. No radical changes have been made. Ad-

vance has been made along lines previously marked out. The desire has been to make the work as valuable as possible.

We know that the greater part of what a pupil learns at school is forgotten in later life. "The value of an elementary education, therefore, consists largely in the power gained through the acquirement of knowledge rather than in the every-day use of the knowledge acquired." Yet there are certain fundamental facts belonging to all school subjects that should be so thoroughly taught as to remain permanently in the mind of the pupil and be available for use at all times.

Our aim is to give thorough instruction in all important facts, and through this instruction develop and broaden the intellectual life of the child. Success in this depends upon the character of the instruction given, which is in every case of greater importance than the quantity.

It is my opinion that no one is so competent as the teacher of judging whether a pupil shall be promoted or not. She knows to what extent the children have mastered the work gone over, and from her understanding of their individual minds is more capable to decide whether they will be benefited by repeating the work or by doing that of a higher grade. Thus the burden and anxiety of final examinations is avoided.

Last year for the first time pupils from our schools were admitted without examination to the West Springfield High school upon the recommendation of teacher and superintendent. They are making a good record and at the present time one who entered from the eighth grade is leading her class in the High school.

Repairs.

The double seats in six of our school rooms are detrimental to the best school work. They interfere with good discipline, as children sitting together find it easy to meddle with each other and to work less independently than they otherwise would. These seats can be utilized by cutting them down, thus necessitating the purchase of only half of the whole number required. An ordinary carpenter could do the work at comparatively little expense. Double

seats have long since disappeared from the best schools and are fast becoming obsolete even in rural communities.

The arrangement of the South school, I believe, may be improved as was suggested last year by your committee. To this end I would suggest that the desks be turned so that pupils face the east instead of the west as at present. This would enable the front windows to be opened, letting the light fall over the back and shoulders of the pupils and would, it seems to me, do something towards making the room less unattractive and cheerless. Enough new seats to make the furnishings more uniform are needed; the blackboards need re-arranging and in some places new boards are necessary.

Teachers' Institute.

On November twentieth, a Teachers' Institute for the special benefit of the teachers in the district was held in Agawam Town Hall. There was a full attendance from all the towns. These local meetings are helpful and seem to meet the needs of the teachers as well as the larger county and state institutes.

The following was the program :

A. M.

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| 9.40. | Scripture Reading and Prayer, | Rev. Walter Rice |
| 9.45. | "Some Maxims in Teaching," | Prin. C. S. Chapin |
| 10.30. | "English Grammar Inductively Taught," | Mr. G. T. Fletcher |
| 11.15. | Nature Study, | Mrs. M. R. Davis |
| 12 00. | Lunch. | |

P. M.

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| 1.15. | "Music in Country Schools," | Mr. S. A. Weaver |
| 2.00. | "Primary Geography," | Mrs. M. R. Davis |
| 2.45. | "Some Elements of Teaching," | Mr. G. T. Fletcher |

The ladies of Agawam showed their hospitality by providing a free lunch which was served in the parlors of the Congregational church. The citizens of Agawam manifested their interest by a large attendance during both sessions of the Institute.

Teachers' Meetings.

Local meetings have been held as occasion seemed to require in the different parts of the town. At these meetings general recom-

mendations, which visits to the school room suggest, have been made. Painter's "History of Education" has been used as a book for study in the hands of the teachers.

This study is a valuable one. It broadens our views in regard to education. By acquainting us with the ideas and methods of the past, it spares us the cost of repeating experiments and mistakes. It gives the origin of present educational systems, and shows what is correct in principle and valuable in method. It inspires educational workers with greater zeal by presenting the example of illustrious teachers.

Reading.

In all our school work I believe that reading is of great importance. By reading is meant not only the ability to read, but the formation of a right habit in reading and a desire to read good books.

To secure the desired results in this direction a large supply of reading material is necessary. Years ago one book for each pupil was thought to be sufficient, but now every pupil reads several books in each grade and many of these books are selections from the best English classics and all have more or less literary merit.

We have, during the past two years, added quite largely to our reading list in all grades. In this way pupils not only read a large amount of the best literature in school, thereby forming a taste for good reading, which in the higher grades is supplemented by similar books taken from the public library, but are acquiring a valuable habit which will be of no small benefit all through life. This appreciation of good literature is showing itself even among the younger pupils.

Through the generosity of the school committee, by the appropriation of the sum of five dollars for the year, the teachers have had the full benefit of the Springfield Public Library. By the present arrangement, teachers are allowed to take as many books for school use as they wish, twenty volumes if they please, and to keep them six weeks if they choose.

Many teachers have gladly availed themselves of this privilege and thus they and their pupils have profited thereby.

MUSIC.

Satisfactory progress has been made in music under the efficient direction of Miss Burrows.

It is believed that daily vocal drill in our schools is a healthful exercise, expanding the chest and lungs, developing the organs of speech, improving the enunciation, and teaching how to use the voice. From this exercise the child acquires conformity to strict, systematic drill, and he learns to do quick and accurate work—the disciplinary value of which is now generally acknowledged.

Attention is called to Miss Burrows' report for a fuller account of the work done in her department.

Mr. H. E. Richardson, Superintendent of Schools:

I submit this brief report regarding the department of vocal music in the schools of Agawam.

In general, the same course of study has been used as given in last year's report.

The improvement resulting from a portion of the time devoted to individual recitation, proves that it is advantageous to continue this phase of the work.

The pupil, by careful listening and frequent help, learns that there is something to be gained which requires his personal effort, and so becomes awakened by this all-important factor in mental culture and learns to depend upon himself. It is only when pupils begin to *think* music that they can appreciate the meaning of the harmony and grasp the secrets of the melody of any selection. Therefore we persist in requiring the personal effort, as in no other way have we been able to stimulate as great an interest in each child.

In every grade, constant drill is given in reading exercises at sight. In the upper grades, songs are read in this way. The value of music as a disciplinary study is now freely acknowledged. In no part of the work is this so apparent as in the sight reading.

Throughout the schools as a whole, there has been a marked improvement in the quality of tone. We aim not only to get pupils

to give a sweet musical tone in the daily lesson, but also to teach them to see the beauty of pure sweet tones.

A few changes and modifications have been made in the course of study, to meet the peculiar needs in the various schools. The standard in the several grades has been slowly and steadily raised.

I wish to thank the teachers for their cordial co-operation which has made the work of the year pleasant and profitable.

In conclusion, I quote the words of one, the result of whose life-work among children is said to reflect the mind of a true teacher :

“If I teach pupils the meaning of various representations or signs of music, that will be some little assistance. If I lead pupils to appreciate music, *per se*, a kindness has been rendered ; but if I am to make my power as a teacher felt, it will be necessary for me to see farther than scales and measures, than exercises and songs, than singing and playing ; he may not retain these ; he can retain impressions. Right impressions lead to right living ; right living encourages good citizenship, and good citizens make a state or nation strong.”

Respectfully,

URANIA G. BURROWS.

TABLE OF ANNUAL STATISTICS.

| | AGAWAM. | | | | MITTINEAGUE. | | | | FEEDING HILLS. | | | | Totals | |
|------------------------------|---------|-------------------|--------|-----------------|--------------|--------|------------------|------------------|----------------|---------|--------|--------|--------|----------|
| | Gram'r | Inter- mediate | Prim'y | South Street | West St | Gram'r | Grades I'-V-I | Grades III-IV | Grade II | Grade I | Gram'r | Prim'y | | West St. |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Teachers' Salary..... | \$450 | \$324 | \$288 | \$288 | \$288 | \$468 | \$324 | \$324 | \$324 | \$324 | \$432 | \$324 | \$288 | \$4,446 |
| Number of Weeks..... | 36 | 36 | 36 | 36 | 36 | 36 | 36 | 36 | 36 | 36 | 36 | 36 | 36 | 36 |
| Enrollment { Boys..... | 17 | 17 | 23 | 14 | 20 | 9 | 12 | 14 | 24 | 44 | 14 | 28 | 13 | 249 |
| { Girls..... | 18 | 16 | 25 | 13 | 16 | 8 | 16 | 8 | 12 | 36 | 17 | 11 | 9 | 205 |
| Average Membership..... | 32 | 33 | 32 | 20 | 25 | 20 | 2 | 41 | 33 | 41 | 32 | 29 | 17 | 383 |
| Average Attendance..... | 29 | 31 | 28 | 18 | 23 | 18 | 25 | 37 | 31 | 37 | 29 | 27 | 15 | 348 |
| Per Cent of Attendance..... | 91 | 91 | 93 | 90 | 88 | 91 | 90 | 93 | 93 | 89 | 89 | 90 | 89 | 91 |
| Number of Pupils { Boys..... | 12 | 24 | 21 | 8 | 17 | 4 | 5 | 12 | 22 | 12 | 11 | 24 | 12 | 184 |
| { Girls..... | 9 | 22 | 21 | 8 | 11 | 3 | 15 | 8 | 10 | 15 | 11 | 8 | 7 | 148 |
| Number of Pupils { Boys..... | 16 | 24 | 23 | 13 | 20 | 6 | 8 | 14 | 24 | 44 | 12 | 28 | 12 | 247 |
| { Girls..... | 15 | 22 | 25 | 13 | 16 | 6 | 16 | 8 | 12 | 36 | 15 | 11 | 10 | 205 |
| Number of Pupils { Boys..... | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 8 |
| { Girls..... | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 7 |
| Number of Days Lost..... | 486 | 552 | 620 | 299 | 600 | 320 | 479 | 963 | 502 | 866 | 515 | 585 | 694 | 7,491 |
| Number of Tardinesses..... | 255 | 140 | 42 | 123 | 65 | 101 | 181 | 238 | 123 | 121 | 79 | 72 | 9 | 1,552 |
| Number of Dismissals..... | 50 | 78 | 41 | 26 | 13 | 109 | 22 | 88 | 23 | 2 | 102 | 25 | 25 | 604 |
| Visits by Citizens..... | 24 | 32 | 24 | 17 | 9 | 9 | 2 | 23 | 12 | 5 | 22 | 27 | 34 | 240 |

STATISTICS BY TERMS.

| Schools | Terms | Teachers | Salary | Number of Weeks | Enrollment | | | Between 7 and 14 | | | Between 5 and 15 | | | Over 15 | | | Average Members | Average Attendance | Per Cent of Attendance | Days Lost | Tardinesses | Misses | Visits by Citizens |
|---------------|------------------|---------------------------|--------|-----------------|------------|-------|-------|------------------|-------|-------|------------------|-------|-------|---------|-------|-------|-----------------|--------------------|------------------------|-----------|-------------|--------|--------------------|
| | | | | | Boys | Girls | Total | Boys | Girls | Total | Boys | Girls | Total | Boys | Girls | Total | | | | | | | |
| Agassiz | Grammar | Ernest A. Maynard..... | \$48 | 12 | 13 | 21 | 34 | 9 | 12 | 23 | 12 | 18 | 30 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 32 | 29 | 90 | 186 | 129 | 12 | 8 |
| | F | John A. Tait..... | 48 | 12 | 16 | 17 | 33 | 11 | 12 | 23 | 16 | 14 | 30 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 32 | 30 | 94 | 105 | 56 | 23 | 5 |
| | W | " | 48 | 12 | 17 | 15 | 32 | 10 | 19 | 29 | 16 | 14 | 30 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 32 | 30 | 90 | 194 | 70 | 15 | 8 |
| | F | Annie R. Hunter | 36 | 12 | 17 | 15 | 32 | 17 | 15 | 32 | 17 | 15 | 32 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 29 | 27 | 93 | 115 | 67 | 19 | 9 |
| | F | " | 36 | 12 | 19 | 19 | 38 | 19 | 18 | 37 | 19 | 18 | 37 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 35 | 33 | 93 | 153 | 46 | 26 | 19 |
| | W | Isabel Hoyt..... | 36 | 12 | 19 | 18 | 37 | 19 | 18 | 37 | 19 | 18 | 37 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 36 | 32 | 86 | 285 | 27 | 23 | 4 |
| | F | Martena A. Stuppelbeen... | 32 | 12 | 17 | 19 | 36 | 17 | 18 | 35 | 17 | 19 | 36 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 29 | 27 | 91 | 140 | 16 | 24 | 12 |
| | W | Katharine A. Ullrich..... | 32 | 12 | 17 | 19 | 37 | 13 | 14 | 27 | 16 | 17 | 33 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 31 | 29 | 96 | 73 | 17 | 13 | 21 |
| | F | " | 32 | 12 | 17 | 20 | 37 | 13 | 14 | 27 | 16 | 17 | 33 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 36 | 29 | 91 | 369 | 9 | 4 | 5 |
| | F | Carrie M. Dodge..... | 32 | 12 | 13 | 10 | 23 | 10 | 6 | 16 | 13 | 10 | 23 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 20 | 19 | 95 | 99 | 65 | 7 | 4 |
| Mittineague | South Street. | " | 32 | 12 | 11 | 12 | 23 | 8 | 16 | 11 | 11 | 22 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 20 | 18 | 93 | 82 | 23 | 7 | 5 | |
| | F | " | 32 | 12 | 11 | 12 | 23 | 7 | 11 | 18 | 11 | 8 | 19 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 19 | 17 | 89 | 117 | 35 | 12 | 10 |
| | F | Louie Merriam..... | 32 | 12 | 16 | 15 | 31 | 13 | 11 | 24 | 16 | 13 | 31 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 26 | 25 | 96 | 93 | 19 | 4 | 2 |
| | F | Adella L. Griswold..... | 28 | 12 | 17 | 13 | 30 | 14 | 8 | 22 | 17 | 13 | 30 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 25 | 22 | 89 | 205 | 19 | 9 | 4 |
| | W | " | 28 | 12 | 17 | 13 | 30 | 14 | 8 | 22 | 16 | 13 | 29 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 25 | 21 | 80 | 302 | 27 | 0 | 3 |
| | W | " | 28 | 12 | 16 | 13 | 29 | 14 | 8 | 22 | 16 | 13 | 29 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 25 | 21 | 80 | 302 | 27 | 0 | 3 |
| | W | E. S. Irwin | 52 | 12 | 9 | 8 | 17 | 4 | 3 | 7 | 9 | 6 | 15 | 4 | 0 | 4 | 14 | 13 | 93 | 61 | 63 | 6 | 3 |
| | W | Sumner C. Poor..... | 52 | 12 | 14 | 10 | 24 | 7 | 6 | 13 | 14 | 9 | 23 | 0 | 1 | 22 | 21 | 92 | 101 | 24 | 76 | 5 | 2 |
| | F | " | 52 | 12 | 16 | 10 | 26 | 5 | 7 | 12 | 14 | 9 | 24 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 24 | 21 | 87 | 158 | 14 | 27 | 5 |
| | F | Jennie E. Alderman | 36 | 12 | 13 | 16 | 29 | 8 | 15 | 23 | 9 | 16 | 25 | 4 | 0 | 4 | 27 | 25 | 93 | 127 | 68 | 5 | 0 |
| Feed'g Hills | Grade V. and VI. | Katherine G. Danahy..... | 36 | 12 | 15 | 15 | 30 | 15 | 15 | 30 | 15 | 15 | 30 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 28 | 25 | 89 | 185 | 56 | 5 | 0 |
| | F | " | 36 | 12 | 17 | 15 | 32 | 17 | 15 | 32 | 17 | 15 | 32 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 29 | 26 | 88 | 167 | 60 | 12 | 0 |
| | F | Nellie M. Ingoldsby..... | 36 | 12 | 24 | 17 | 41 | 23 | 17 | 40 | 24 | 17 | 41 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 37 | 35 | 94 | 160 | 101 | 15 | 2 |
| | F | " | 36 | 12 | 24 | 17 | 41 | 23 | 17 | 40 | 24 | 17 | 41 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 37 | 35 | 94 | 160 | 101 | 15 | 2 |
| | W | " | 36 | 12 | 27 | 18 | 45 | 25 | 18 | 43 | 27 | 18 | 45 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 43 | 40 | 94 | 700 | 90 | 16 | 9 |
| | W | " | 36 | 12 | 27 | 18 | 45 | 25 | 18 | 43 | 27 | 18 | 45 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 43 | 40 | 94 | 700 | 90 | 16 | 9 |
| | W | Mabel L. Welcker..... | 36 | 12 | 23 | 11 | 34 | 21 | 9 | 30 | 23 | 11 | 34 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 32 | 29 | 91 | 165 | 48 | 8 | 7 |
| | W | " | 36 | 12 | 23 | 11 | 34 | 21 | 9 | 30 | 23 | 11 | 34 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 32 | 29 | 91 | 165 | 48 | 8 | 7 |
| | W | " | 36 | 12 | 23 | 11 | 35 | 19 | 8 | 27 | 24 | 11 | 35 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 33 | 31 | 92 | 210 | 47 | 9 | 5 |
| | W | " | 36 | 12 | 23 | 10 | 33 | 6 | 29 | 23 | 10 | 33 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 32 | 31 | 92 | 210 | 47 | 9 | 5 | |
| Feed'g Hills | Grade II..... | Bertha L. Jones..... | 36 | 12 | 23 | 10 | 33 | 23 | 10 | 21 | 30 | 21 | 51 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 46 | 41 | 90 | 275 | 38 | 0 | 3 |
| | F | " | 36 | 12 | 30 | 21 | 51 | 11 | 10 | 21 | 30 | 21 | 51 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 40 | 36 | 90 | 240 | 47 | 0 | 1 |
| | W | " | 36 | 12 | 22 | 22 | 44 | 6 | 13 | 19 | 22 | 22 | 44 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 36 | 35 | 89 | 351 | 36 | 2 | 1 |
| | W | Anna E. Haley..... | 36 | 12 | 22 | 22 | 45 | 8 | 13 | 21 | 23 | 22 | 45 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 36 | 35 | 89 | 351 | 36 | 2 | 1 |
| | F | Carolyn E. Shirley..... | 48 | 12 | 14 | 17 | 31 | 11 | 11 | 22 | 12 | 15 | 27 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 28 | 25 | 89 | 105 | 15 | 33 | 11 |
| | F | Adam M. HERNANCE..... | 48 | 12 | 14 | 17 | 31 | 11 | 11 | 22 | 12 | 15 | 27 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 28 | 25 | 89 | 105 | 15 | 33 | 11 |
| | W | " | 48 | 12 | 14 | 17 | 31 | 11 | 11 | 22 | 12 | 15 | 27 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 28 | 25 | 89 | 105 | 15 | 33 | 11 |
| | W | " | 48 | 12 | 14 | 17 | 31 | 11 | 11 | 22 | 12 | 15 | 27 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 28 | 25 | 89 | 105 | 15 | 33 | 11 |
| | W | Sara M. Hollister..... | 36 | 12 | 28 | 11 | 39 | 24 | 8 | 32 | 28 | 11 | 39 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 34 | 31 | 91 | 211 | 4 | 9 | 5 |
| | W | " | 36 | 12 | 28 | 11 | 39 | 24 | 8 | 32 | 28 | 11 | 39 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 29 | 26 | 91 | 211 | 4 | 9 | 5 |
| West Street.. | Primary | " | 36 | 12 | 28 | 11 | 39 | 24 | 8 | 32 | 28 | 11 | 39 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 25 | 24 | 88 | 170 | 53 | 10 | 9 |
| | F | " | 36 | 12 | 28 | 11 | 39 | 24 | 8 | 32 | 28 | 11 | 39 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 25 | 24 | 88 | 170 | 53 | 10 | 9 |
| | W | M. Lucy Pomeroy | 32 | 12 | 12 | 9 | 21 | 12 | 7 | 19 | 12 | 9 | 21 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 19 | 18 | 94 | 338 | 7 | 17 | 14 |
| | W | " | 32 | 12 | 11 | 6 | 17 | 11 | 6 | 17 | 11 | 6 | 17 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 18 | 16 | 93 | 125 | 2 | 7 | 14 |

ROLL OF HONOR.

Names of pupils who have not been absent or tardy during the

YEAR.

| | |
|-------------------|-----------------|
| Bennett, Bertha | Emerson, George |
| Viedman, Lauretta | |

TWO TERMS.

| | |
|------------------|-----------------|
| Goodrich, Arthur | Oldroyd, Walter |
| Miller, Edward | Reed, Howard |
| Morey, Louis | Smith, Howard |
| Sullivan, Walter | |

ONE TERM.

| | |
|--------------------|--------------------|
| Bagley, Ernest | Cushman, Laurence |
| Barker, George | Duclos, Melville |
| Bassette, Clodemur | Dudley, Florence |
| Bassette, Pamela | Edgar, Robert |
| Bitgood, Nellie | Ewing, Hazel |
| Bitgood, Minnie | Farriole, Nino |
| Bodurtha, Dwight | Fitzgerald, Mabel |
| Brady, Grace | Gauthier, Emile |
| Campbell, Jessie | Green, Annie |
| Clark, Bertrand | Griffin, John |
| Cline, Robert | Halladay, Giles |
| Collins, Mable | Halladay, Mary |
| Collins, Ernest | Hastings, Mary |
| Cooley, Harold | Hastings, Philip |
| Cordes, Helen | Hitchcock, Charles |
| Crafts, Harold | Hitchcock, Ina |
| Craven, Alice | Jones, Arthur |
| Craven, Thomas | Jones, Clark |

Kerr, Walter
McIntyre, Cora
Meyrick, William
Moore, Alice
O'Brien, George
O'Brien, Katie
O'Donnell, John
Othick, Elsie
Pomeroy, Clarence
Provost, Henry
Quirk, Mamie
Quirk, Morris
Reed, Mattie
Reed, Marion
Reed, Laurence
Robinson, Fred

Rollinson, Ethel
Savin, William
Scully, James
Sherman, William
Sickel, John
Smith, Howard
Smith, William
Spear, Arthur
Sullivan, John
Sweetland, Flora
Taylor, Louise
Tongue, Frank
Vezina, Mary
Wells, Mary
Wells, Raymond
Worthington, Harold

Attendance.

Many of the lost days recorded have been occasioned by illness. In some parts of the town measles, scarlet fever, and diphtheria have been prevalent as at no other time for years, and considering these facts the attendance is an improvement over that of last year.

One of the greatest drawbacks to good work in any school is irregular attendance and lack of punctuality on the part of the scholar. A pupil who is absent one or two days every week can not, as a rule, keep up with his class. Besides the loss to himself, his irregularity interferes with the regular work of the school and he is thus responsible for harm done to the other pupils. Parents can and should aid the schools by insisting that their children attend regularly and promptly.

Childhood is the habit-forming period and the importance of forming good habits that will go with children through life can not be overestimated.

Your attention is called to the various statistics presented in connection with this report.

Respectfully submitted,

HERBERT E. RICHARDSON.

Articles for Town Meeting,

APRIL 2. 1900.

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.

ARTICLE 2. To choose by ballot for the ensuing year a Town Clerk, a Town Treasurer, three Selectmen, three Assessors, three Overseers of Poor, a Board of Health of three members, three Collectors of Taxes, two Auditors, three Surveyors of Highways, ten Constables, one member of the School Committee for three years, one Library Trustee for three years, one Sinking Fund Commissioner for three years, one Trustee of Whiting Street Fund for two years; also to vote on the same ballot upon the question, "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this Town?"

ARTICLE 3. To choose all necessary Town Officers not provided for in the preceding article.

ARTICLE 4. To hear and act upon the reports of Town Officers.

ARTICLE 5. To see what method the Town will adopt for the support of poor for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will authorize its Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to temporarily borrow, in anticipation of the taxes of the present municipal year, not to exceed a certain sum, as money may be required from time to time, and to give a note or notes of the Town, for money so borrowed, and that he be also authorized to pay such loans from said taxes.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money for the observance of Memorial Day.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote a discount on taxes.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to charge interest on taxes.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the use of the Library Trustees.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will provide a sidewalk past the two bridges at the south part of the Town.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will make an appropriation for building of sidewalks in any portion of the Town.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will take any action, providing for transportation of pupils to and from school at public expense.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will provide a water supply for the Mittineague school building or take any action relating to the same.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will take any action towards the improvement of the out-buildings at the Centre schools.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will appropriate money for new school furniture, or do anything in relation to the same.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will accept Ottawa street in Mittineague, running from Walnut to Bridge streets.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will accept Front street in Mittineague.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will make an appropriation for the improvement of the highway on Main street, Agawam, southerly of the cemetery.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will make a special appropriation for any other section of highway.

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate money to pay a proper charge of an insurance company, for acting as surety on the official bond of any of its officers.

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will authorize their Selectmen to employ counsel to bring suits or defend suits, brought against the Town or against its officers as agents or trustees.

ARTICLE 23. To make the necessary appropriations for the ensuing year, and to vote to raise by tax such sums of money as may be required for the same.

ARTICLE 24. To see what action the Town will take concerning the election of tree warden under Chap. 330, Acts of 1899.

ARTICLE 25. To see what action the Town will take in regard to the payment of a note of one thousand dollars which comes due June 1 of this year.

ARTICLE 26. To see what action the Town will take concerning Mittineague Bridge.

ARTICLE 27. To see if the Town will accept the following list of jurors: Emerson L. Covill, George H. Reed, John Oldroyd, Edmund N. Powers, John R. Bodurtha, Orton A. Cushman, Ralph Perry, Joseph C. McVeigh, Henry A. Huntington, Frank J. Pomeroy, Eugene L. Thompson, John Wright, James J. Carrol, Homer W. Halladay, A. Edward Fuller, Henry C. Smith, Frank L. Johnson, Vanness H. Roberts, James S. Smith, Edward L. Johnson, Earnest A. Pease, George H. Taylor, Daniel Curran, Wilfred Duclos, Frank Paro, Daniel O'Brien, Albert Provost, Michael Connors.

ARTICLE 28. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Appropriations Recommended for 1900.

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| Schools, | . | . | . | . | . | \$6,200.00 |
| High School Tuition, | . | . | . | . | . | 800.00 |
| Highways and Bridges, | . | . | . | . | . | 2,000.00 |
| Special Highways, | . | . | . | . | . | 1,000.00 |
| Support of Poor, | . | . | . | . | . | 2,300.00 |
| Contingencies, | . | . | . | . | . | 800.00 |
| Town Officers, | . | . | . | . | . | 1,200.00 |
| State and Military Aid, | . | . | . | . | . | 300.00 |
| Interest, | . | . | . | . | . | 1,700.00 |
| Sinking Fund, | . | . | . | . | . | 1,000.00 |
| Town Note, | . | . | . | . | . | 1,000.00 |
| Care of Town Halls, | . | . | . | . | . | 50.00 |
| Repairs about Town Buildings, | . | . | . | . | . | 200.00 |
| Street Lights, | . | . | . | . | . | 200.00 |
| Collectors of Taxes, | . | . | . | . | . | 300.00 |
| Discount on Taxes, | . | . | . | . | . | 750.00 |
| Memorial Day, | . | . | . | . | . | 50.00 |
| Sidewalks, | . | . | . | . | . | 100.00 |
| Libraries, | . | . | . | . | . | 75.00 |